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"SOME PEOPLE HAVE EVERYTHING AND OTHER PEOPLE DON'T. BUT EVERYTHING DON'T MEAN A THING IF IT AIN'T THE THING YOU WANT..."

"WHAT EVER YOU DO, DO IT GOOD. WHAT EVER YOU DO DO DO, DO IT GOOD. ALL RIGHT..."

EXPRESS YOURSELF

"YOU DON'T EVER NEED HELP FROM NOBODY ELSE. ALL YOU GOT TO DO NOW..."

"O, DO IT! O, DO IT, DO IT TO IT, GO ON AND DO IT..."

" IT'S NOT WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE, WHEN YOU'RE DOIN WHAT YOU'RE DOIN. IT'S WHAT YOU'RE DOIN, WHEN YOU'RE DOIN, WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE DOIN..."

Disclaimer....

This book is meant to be an expression of who we are. It's not the normal yearbook with tons of collages and articles. It is simply an expression of our inward, outward, and creative ideas. Do not expect to be bombarded with hundreds of things to look at. Take your time. Relax. Let your eyes dance across each page. Think about where you were when something in particular happened. Wonder where a shot was taken. Agree or disagree with the opinions shared. Like or dislike the art displayed. Just be you...Enjoy!

Love,

Lauren Michelle
Editor

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Dear Oakwood Students:

This message represents my last opportunity to speak to you as 2010–11 students. By the time you read this another school term will be over. So I thank the Acorn staff for the chance to say a few final words to you our dearly beloved students.

It has been a privilege to be the president of Oakwood for the past fourteen years. My wife Susan and I have considered it a blessing and an enriching experience to be joined in ministry to the institution that we have loved for so many years. When I accepted the new position at the General Conference we knew that this was God's plan; however, we left Huntsville with a sense of nostalgia. One of the things we missed most was being able to say good-bye to you, the students, before we made our transition.

As we look back over the past years we see the powerful hand of God in all areas of campus life. We went through many milestones: the move from OC to OU, new buildings to educate and house students, new educational programs, campus improvements that make Oakwood a lovely campus, major fund-raising projects, more scholarship money to assist students and of course the fun and enriching activities with the students and staff.

However, the most outstanding achievement is based in spirituality, relationships and the commitment to mission that Oakwood represents. We treasure the memories of the many students who have attended and the more than 6,000 who graduated during our tenure at OU. These Oakwood Men and Women are spread throughout the nation and world. Everywhere we can see how the OU vision: preparing leaders in service to God and humanity, is making a difference. Without question, the students of OU and our relationships and interactions with them represent a highlight of our years at Oakwood.

As I often spoke of while at Oakwood, I believe in the Circle of Providence that guides Oakwood and those who accept Christ as their Lord and Savior. I have full confidence that God will lead Oakwood into a brighter future, even as He had led us over the course of our past history.

For that, and for you, Susan and I are most grateful.

Very sincerely and God bless,

Delbert W. Baker, Ph.D.

Dear Oakwood University Students,

I greet you in the Name that is above every other name! Blessings to you and may health and peace be yours in the coming years! It is my pleasure to wish you all the best as our 2010-2011 school year closes. Congratulations on the production of another Oakwood yearbook. Your yearbook editor, sponsor, and the editorial team have worked overtime to bring you this quality product. This publication will forever memorialize friends and members of the Oakwood family.

To our graduating seniors and graduate students, you have come to the end of your Oakwood journey, but nowhere near the end of your Oakwood experience. As you leave our hallowed halls, please take with you all the memories made, all the friendships developed, and all the moments shared with classmates You are now joining an Oakwood Alumni family that spans more than 100 years. That same family also stretches around the globe. Thus, wherever you go, you will be received as a distinguished alumnus of Oakwood University. While you will be missed on campus, please stay in touch. We want to know how and what you are doing!

For the graduate students, juniors, sophomores, and freshman who will continue with us--remember that you still make a difference in our community. The 2010-2011 school year comes to a close for you, but during the summers, please continue to advance yourself academically. I would like to remind all of our students that we live/work in a globally competitive environment. Global communication has reduced our world to a very small stadium. My prayer for you is that you will keep your edge by continuing to hone your skills to be victorious in the next phase of the race.

To each of our students, I wish you all the success in the world as this school year closes. One of my favorite quotes is the following: "Your schooling may be over, but remember that your education continues." My prayer is that your continuing education will carry you across this life well into the life to come!

Sincerely,

Leslie N. Pollard, Ph.D., D.Min., MBA
President, Oakwood University

Religous Life

Expressions:
Joy
Peace
Euphoria
Love
Admiration
Praise
Contentment
Amazement

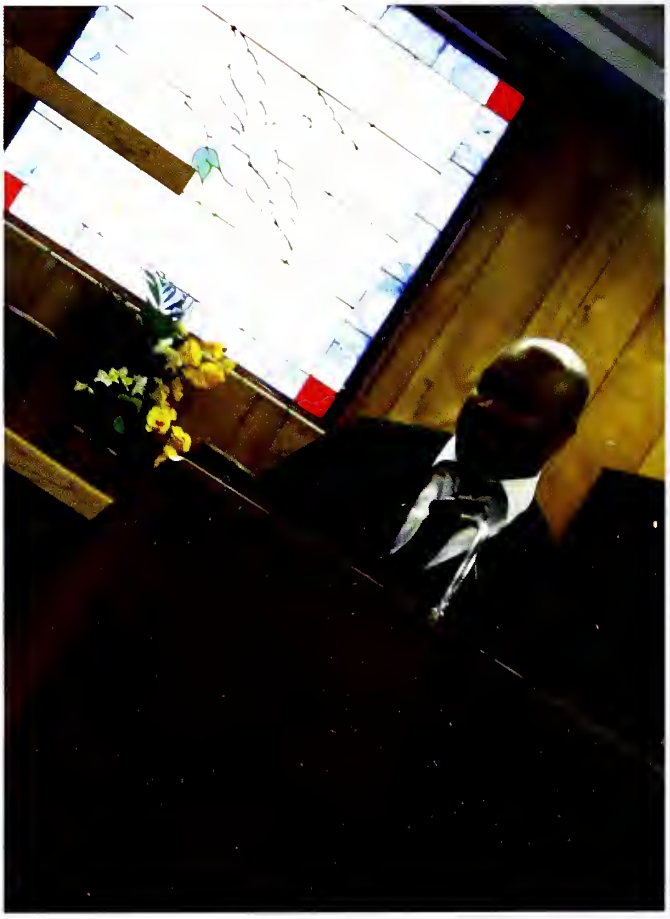
There's

Nobody

Like

Him

An Hour of Power

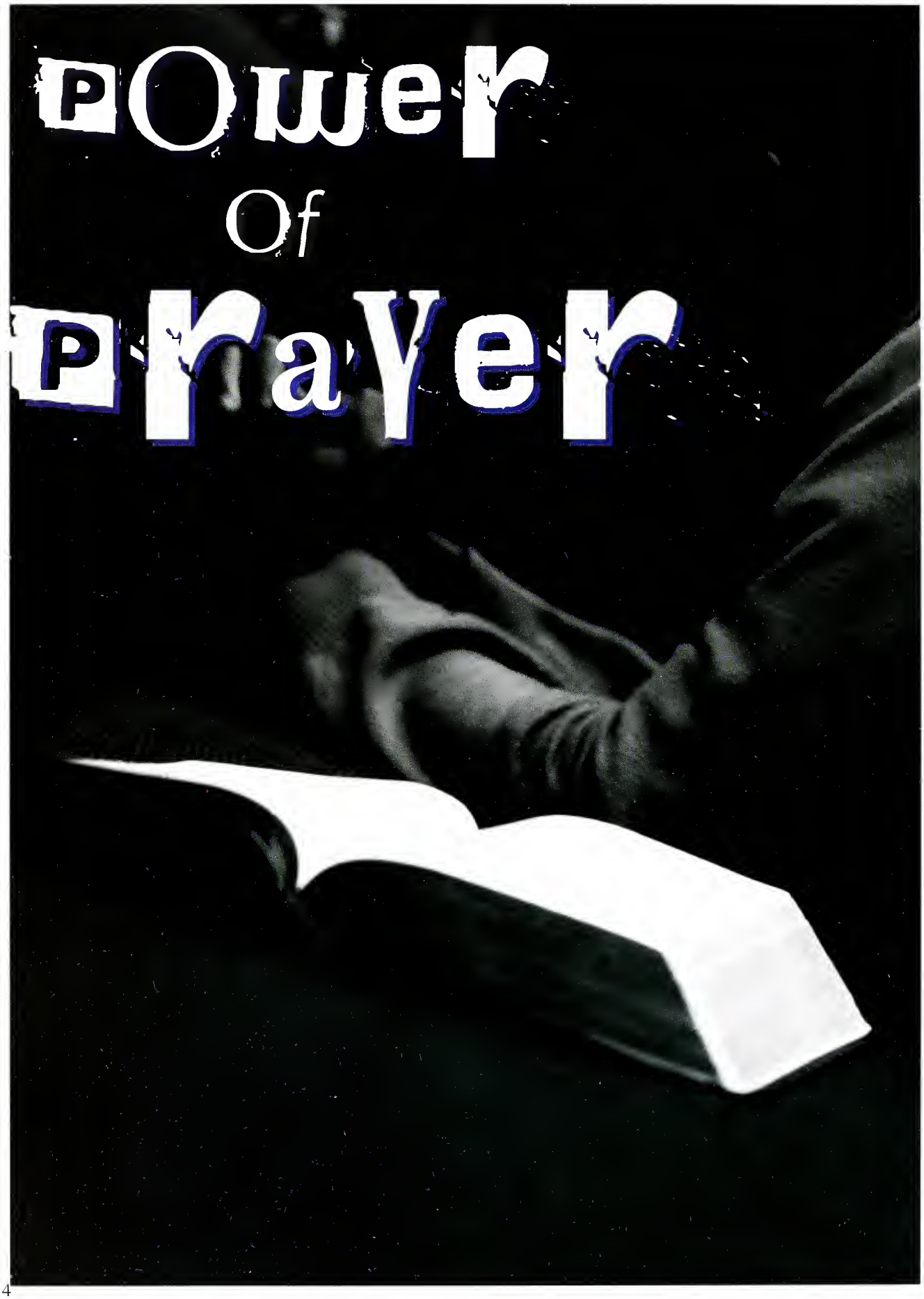


Inspiration to get you through the rest of your day.

Once, my sophomore year sometime near the beginning, when I was overwhelmed and had run up on some kind of brick wall, I talked to God, in my mind-between classes-like this: Am I the only one, Lord? Are you really going to do this? My problem is a big deal! Also between classes, I stopped by the chapel at Carter Hall for Power Hour. (Of course, this was after my lunch, and after what I had said to God.) To start, we prayed, and then, "Does anybody have a testimony?" Mercy. One after another, students with issues magnified our God for what He had done-for miracles He had done-even when He hadn't done them for real yet, for a couple of them. I absorbed everything that day; I was so encouraged about my problem. I was rebuked, too. Yeah, definitely a growth spurt. The songs, the prayers, the sermon-the Spirit-spoke to my soul about trust in Jesus. I've kept going back since then. I love Power Hour; that is, I love how I can gather in the name of my Father, with my friends, and talk about His goodness, and sing about it, and learn about it; I love the atmosphere of surrender to my Savior; I love the thrill of sitting next to someone who takes their stand for God. It makes me want more and more of God's presence-His person, His power.

-Joy Norman

power of prayer



Once Hump Day roles around a student finds himself inadequately equipped to cope with the unyielding demands of the week. He looks forward to Thursday and Friday, but they seem to offer little reprieve. He needs to hear that he can make it, but affirming words from family and friends do not carry him far. He needs words that are packed with more assurance, words that come from the mouth of God. This student knows that he will find the solace he needs at Wednesday night prayer meeting. The pastoral staff, at the Oakwood University Church, has placed a renewed emphasis on prayer. The student knows that at prayer meeting he will be allotted time to commune with the One he so desperately needs to hear from. As he kneels with his head bowed on the church pew, he knows that he is surrounded, too, by fellow students who share his need. These students know that prayer meeting is, and will continue to be, a place where their need for assurance is met simply because time is spent in fervent prayer.

-Alexandra E. Arnold

FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

On Friday nights students all across the country prepare for the most anticipated event of the week. Lights simultaneously shine on the fields of stadiums. But here at Oakwood University lights shine on a different stage. They do not shine on players and spectators of an 100,000 seat stadium. They shine on students who actively participate, not in a game, but in a service of worship and praise.Though our arena can only accommodate 2,000, everyone is seated comfortably not on a hard bleacher, but on a soft pew. The crowd cheers not for a touchdown but for a turnover of hearts. For us it is not a game, but an AY service that makes us turn on our Friday night lights.

-Alexandra E. Arnold & Chinyere English

"For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."
Matthew 18:20 NIV

Coming Together as One

TOUCH

They live under bridges. They are in jail. They got injured and lost their jobs. Their parents died. They are recovering drug addicts. They are unable to read. They eat whatever they manage to put together. They are looked down on by many.

Who are they? They are people for whom Christ died. They are someone's brother. They are someone's sister. They are someone's mother. They are someone's father. They are someone's son. They are someone's daughter.

Why do they matter; because, they are a part of us. They are a part of the human family, people for whom Jesus Christ died. They matter because Our Heavenly Father tells us to love each other. We are not above anyone. They matter because we matter, and they are a part of us. We reach out to them because grace has reached us!

-Emeka Buffong

To be spiritual: is not an action, but a state of being

"For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel--not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."
(1 Corinthians 1:17-18)

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us whatever we ask we know that we have what we asked of him"
(1 John 5:14-15)

But Moses said to the Lord, "Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue." Then the Lord said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak."
(Exodus 4:10-12)

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselv
and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, th
will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal th
land."
(2 Chronicles 7:1

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." (Colossians 3:16)

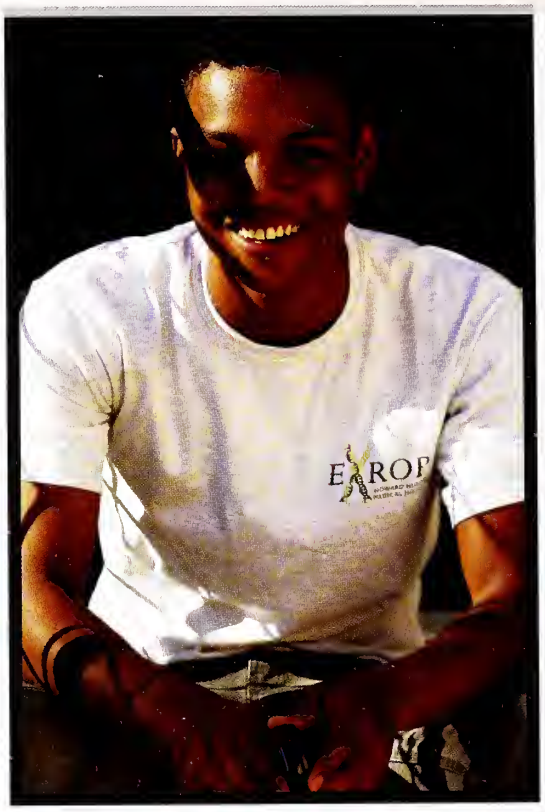
"Praise him with timbrel and dancing,
Praise him with the strings and pipe,
Praise him with the clash of cymbals,
Praise him with resounding cymbals.
Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.
Praise the LORD." (Psalm 150: 4-6)

Expressions:

Student Activities

Silly
Fun
Childish
Crazy
Excitement
Cool

SOME PURSUE HAPPINESS



OTHERS *Create* IT

THE DATING GAME
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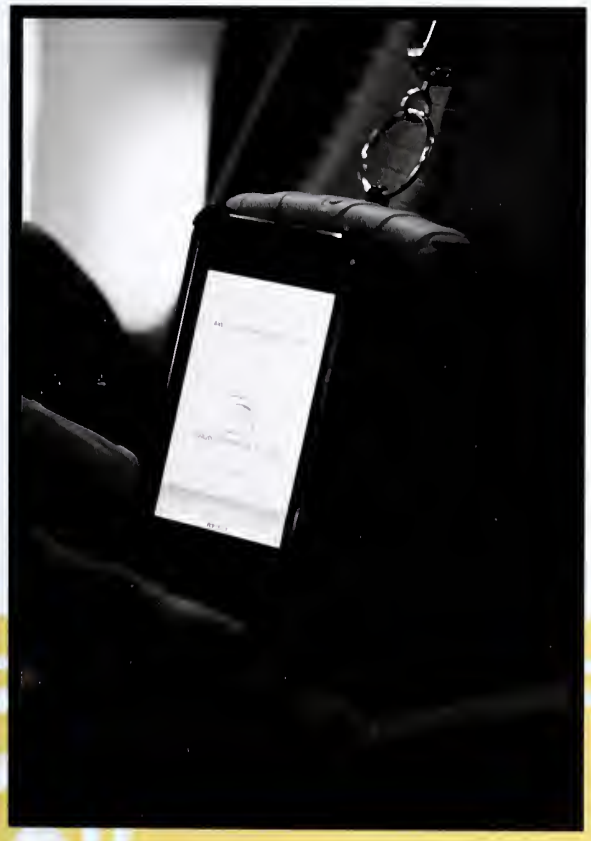
Ahhh..... The Joys of Chapel



and the Pains!

OU Cafeteria Nutrition Facts

Oakwood Stir-Fry:
1 box of noodles
1 container of tofu
1lb of salt…. Ahh make that two
When you go to the Soda Machine:
Hawaiian Punch = water
Orange Fanta = water
Apple juice = water
Gatorade = water
Grape juice = water
Water = sprite

Despite the few downfalls, the food does serve its purpose and its never that bad.... right:)? and admit it with the sports games, themed lunches, contests, and laughs with friends, the cafe this year has definitely been kind of fun!

It is a happy talent to know how to play.

-Ralph Emerson

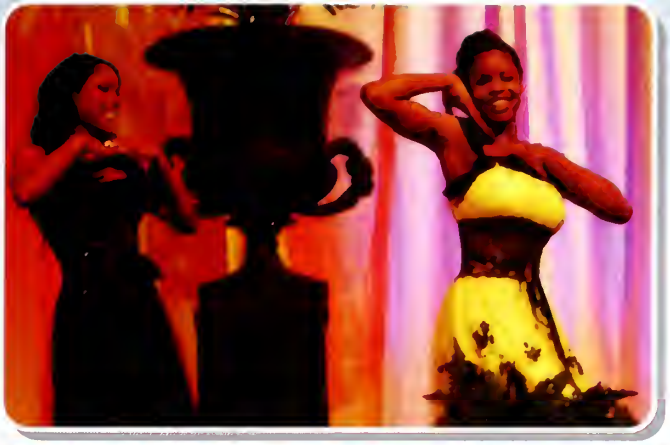
Now run and tell that home boy!

-Antwoine Dobson

MISS OAKWOOD PAGEANT PRESENTS: "DREAM GIRLS 2010

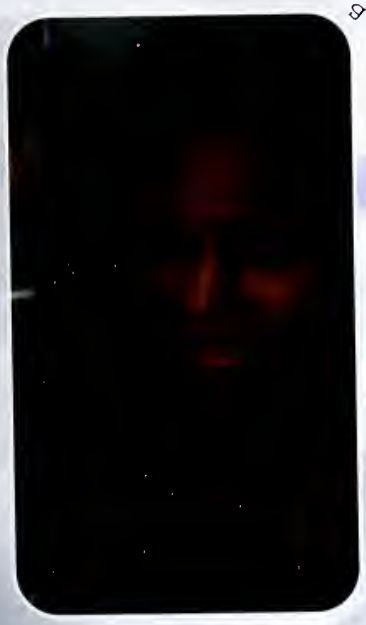
On March 21, 2010 for one night only, four ladies graced the stage for the 18th annual Miss Oakwood Pageant. The Dream Girls wowed the audiences and judges with their poise, talents, and personality. All demonstrated their desire to become the campus queen and to be the ultimate example of the Oakwood Woman.

Amanda Graham



Every woman has her own special dream, and your dreams' just about to come true. Life's not as bad as it may seem if you open your eyes to what's in front of you.

Margret Ward

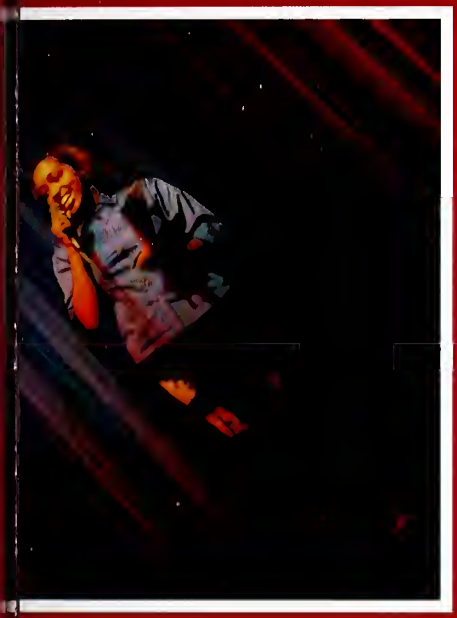


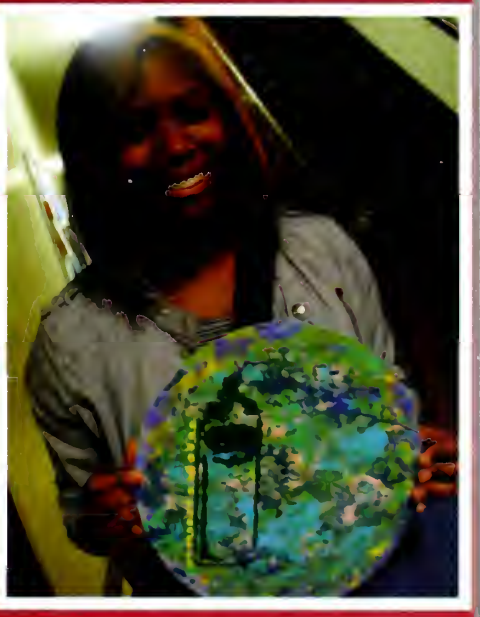
Melissa Campbell

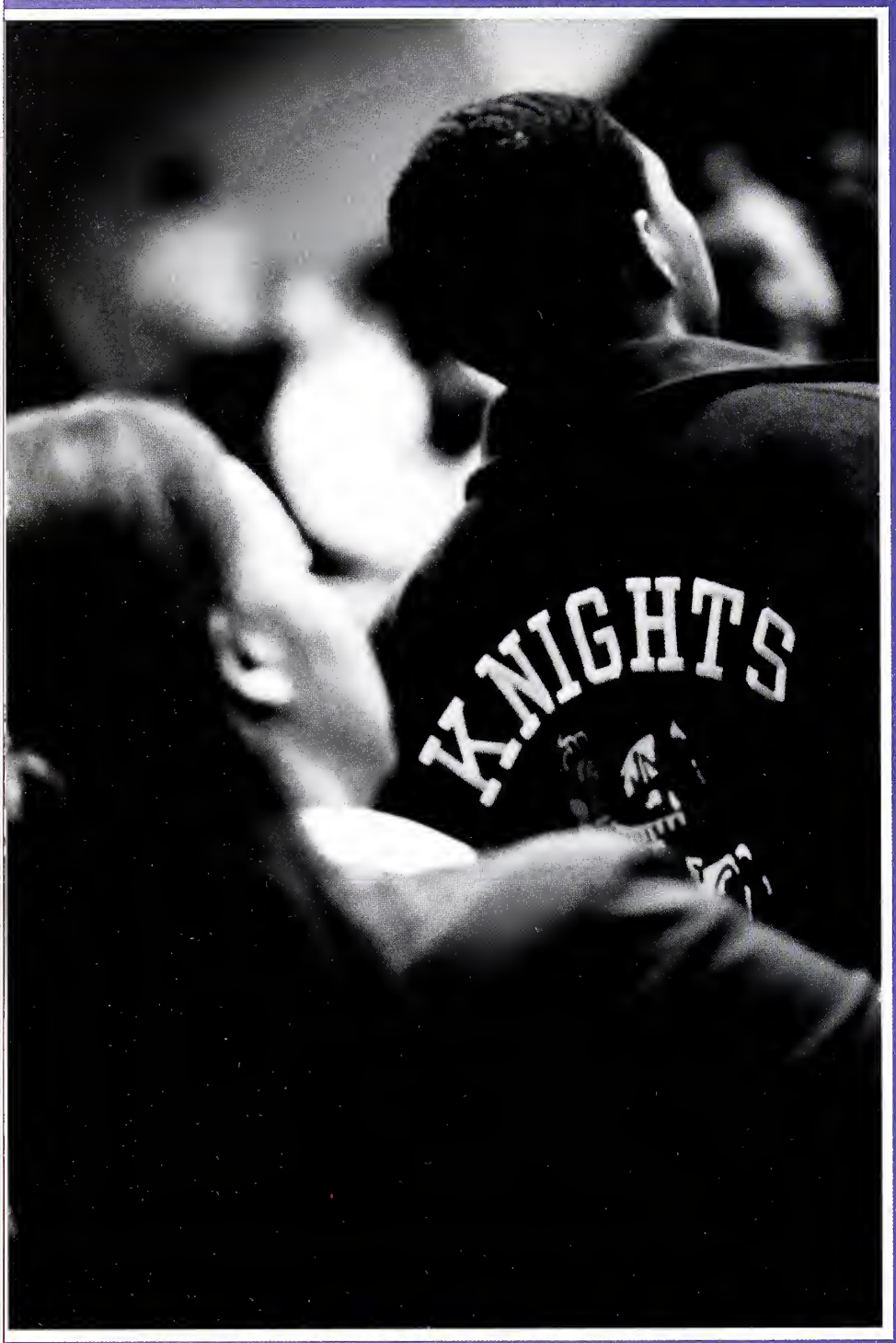
Leslie Allen

By: Chanesse Hobdy

Make Art Extravagant






KNIGHTS

COLLEGE DAYS 2010

The raised flags, manicured lawn, exceptional café food, spotless living areas, and busloads of high school seniors can only mean one thing – College Days are back at Oakwood University! "Well personally I did not touch that mystery veggie meat. I stuck to the pizza. And the fountain drink - I have never seen purple lemonade that tasted like water. I thought down south veggie food was supposed to be POPPIN…" says Mary-Ann Gilpin from North Eastern Academy in New York. College Days 2010 was definitely an experience for the hundreds of students that came from all over the world, schools such as the renowned Pine Forge Academy, the Bermuda Institute, and many others. Students covered Oakwood's campus and you could definitely recognize the excited, nervous, and maybe even lost faces of all of the high school seniors. Swine Flu did not flood the campus this year so luckily or not so luckily the students were able to sleep in the dorms and get the full preview of "The Oakwood Experience" beginning with the cafeteria food. Despite the interestingness of our fake Swiss-steaks and curry chicken, freshman students were able to enjoy the exceptional praise and worship Oakwood University is undoubtedly known for. Mary-Ann Gilpin of North Eastern Academy, Brittany Stowe from Takoma Academy, and Traci Carroll from Pine Forge Academy all gave their input on how they thought college days turned out and their reactions towards all the aspects of Oakwood University. Worship and prayer was number one on their top ratings. When asked, "What is the best part of OU?", Brittany and Traci agreed that the concert and seeing friends they could not generally see made Oakwood even a better choice for their future admission. Mary settled with OU boys and the cadaver lab (the place where they keep the dead bodies). Whatever their reasons for enjoying Oakwood and deciding that Oakwood should be their number one or number two option, I can safely say that all of the students genuinely enjoyed their stay on OU's campus.

- Nikki Lee

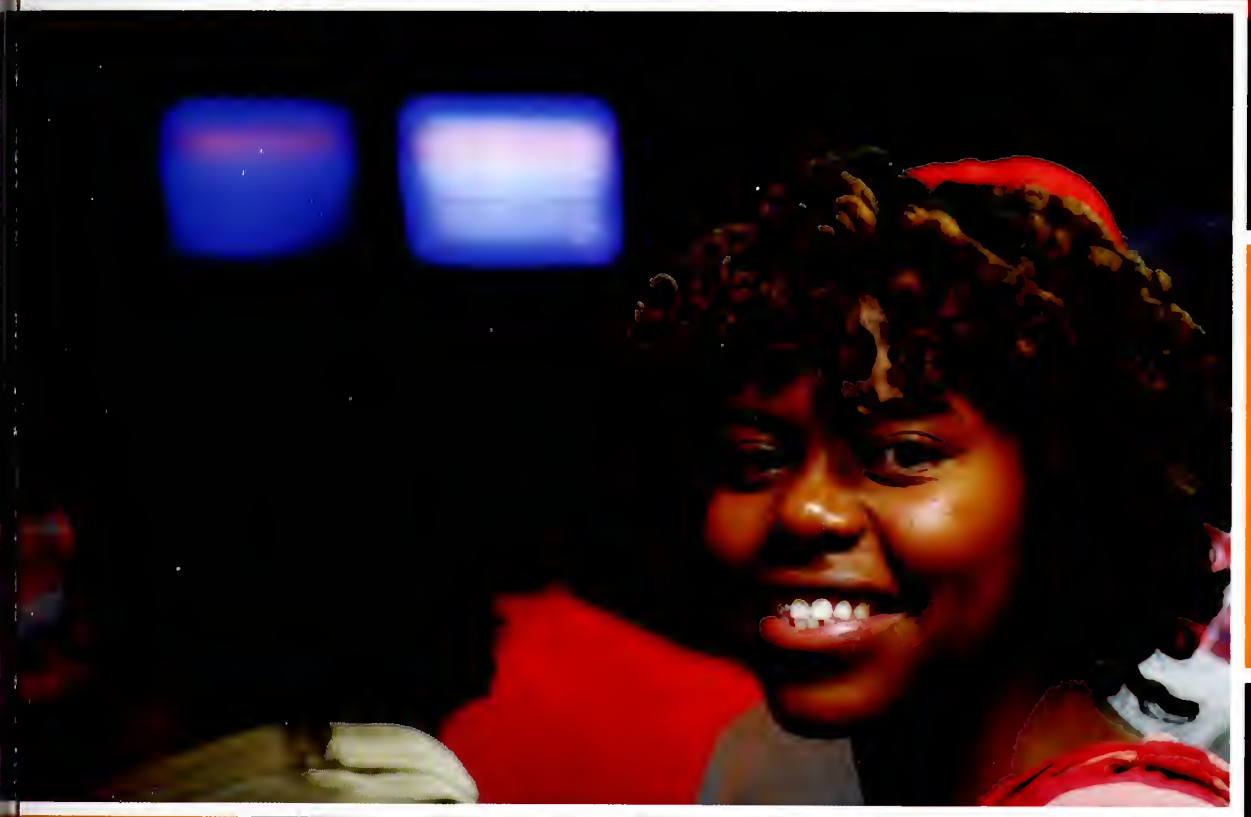
Oakwood and Southern, sister schools, coming together to worship as one. Different voices. Different instruments. Different skin colors. Different styles of worship but all worshiping the same God, together. Our union with Christ forever bonds us together. There is unity in our diversity.

-Amber Buchanan

DEEP SABBATH

Twas the night before ice skating, when all through the campus
Not a creature was stirring, although it was dusk
In anticipation of the following night events Oakwoodites prepared themselves for the festivities ahead.
The night came and all the students boarded the buses
Not a child wasn't rushing
Now there was running, and walking, lacing and skating
Jumping and dancing, Laughing and Eating
Falling and Scraping, Railing and Tripping
And hitting each other with the ice skating aids
But all could exclaim, ere drove out of sight
Happy Skating to all, and to all a good night
-Nikki Lee

BOWL



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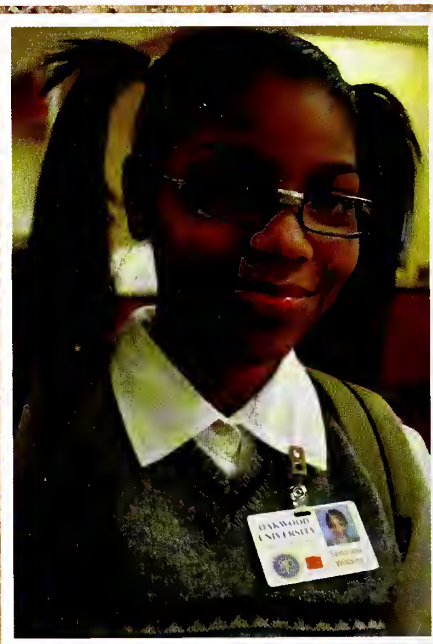


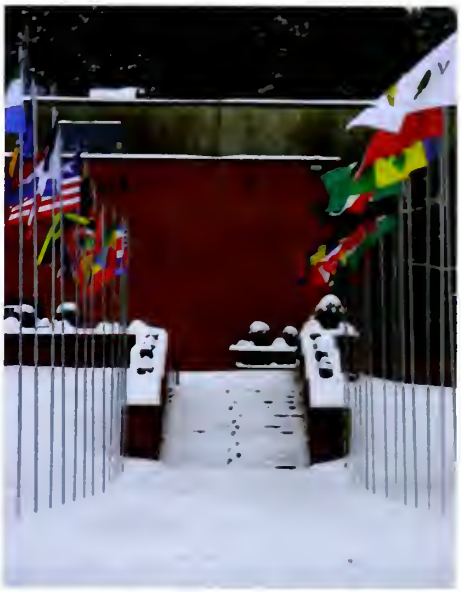
GEEKIN'

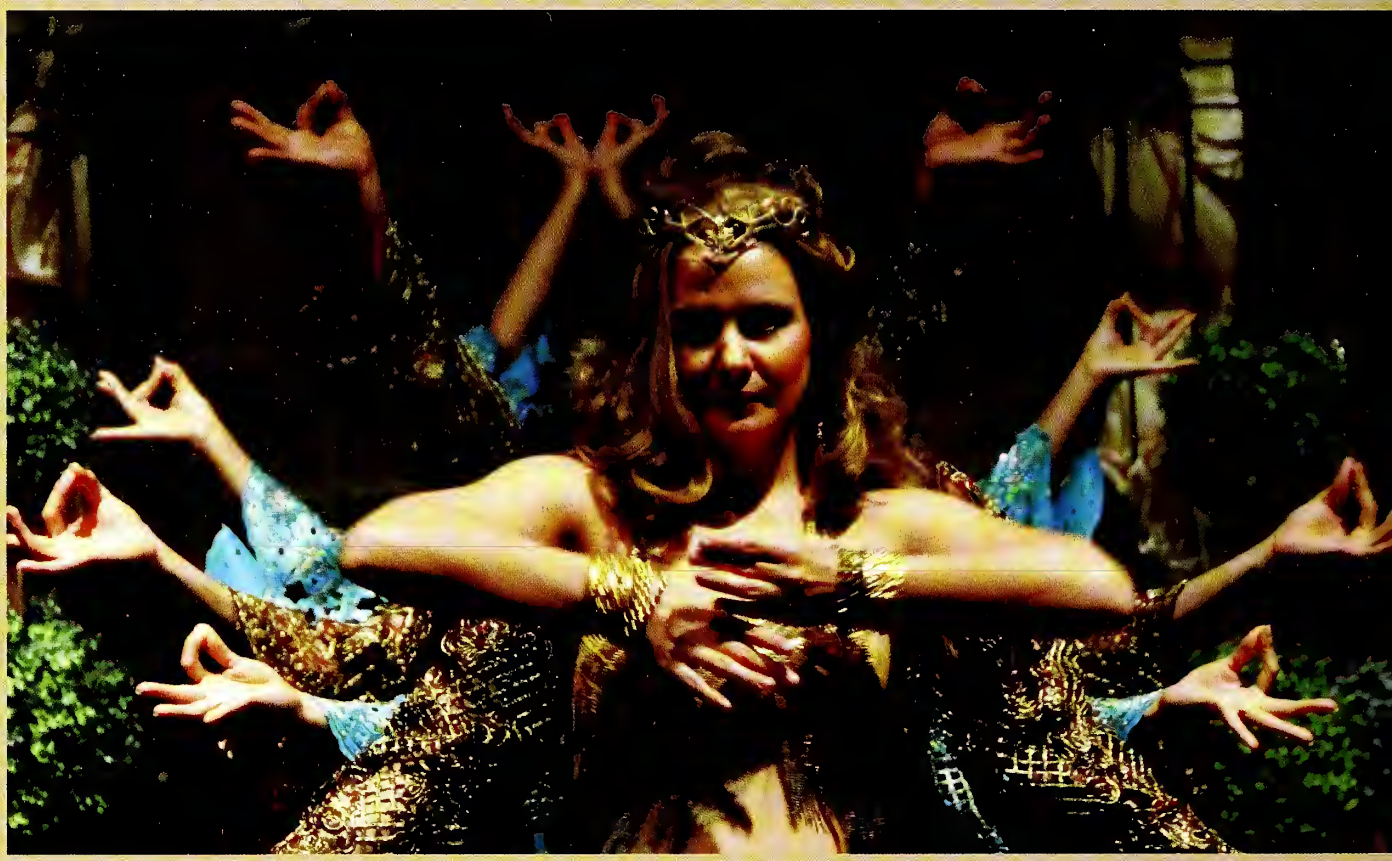
WEEK

REMINISCIN'

SNOW

DAYS

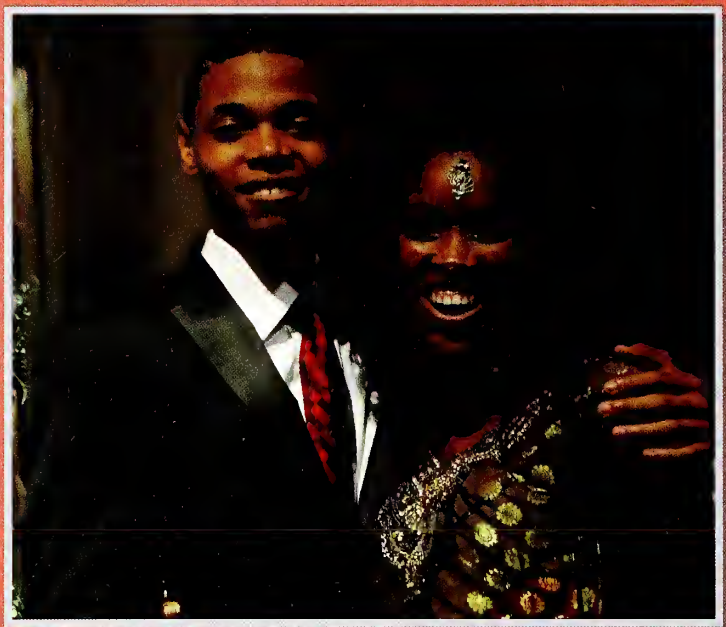


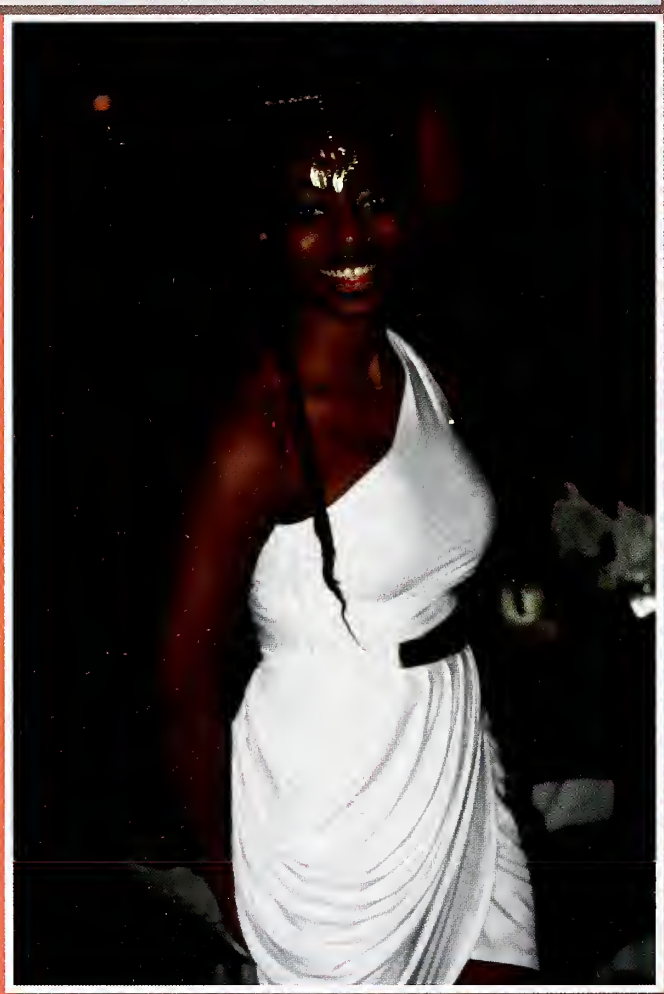


Arabian Night
U.S.M. Banquet

The Arabian Nights 2011 U.S.M Banquet was surely a night to remember. Arabian dancers, music, cameras, dresses, suits, ties, make up , and amazing shoes spilled through the banquet hall. Although, some could have done well with seconds, the food was a delight and quite refreshing from the typical Sodexo grilled cheese sandwiches. The Grammy style award presentations were interesting and engaging. A round of applause certainly goes to, U.S.M. social vice, Karla McLean and her staff for creating a comfortable, cool, entertaining environment The banquet was obviously well thought out and loads of fun.

~ Nikki Lee





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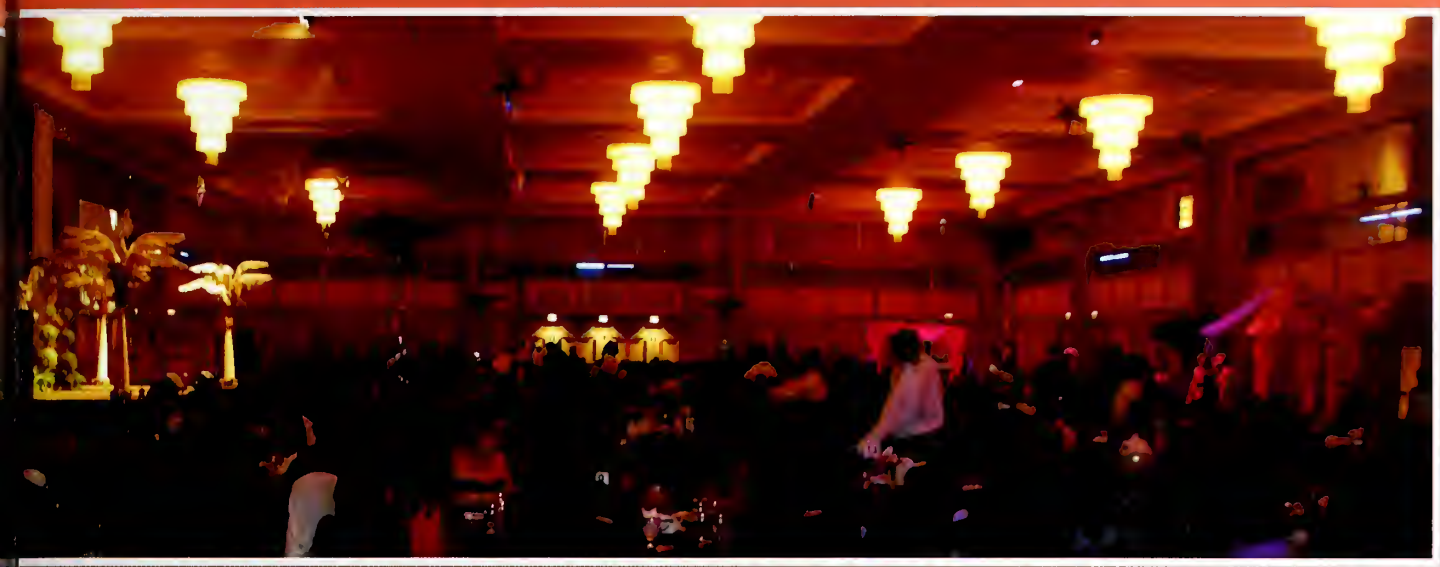
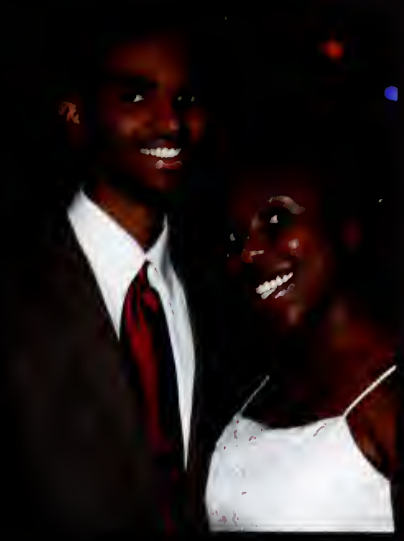


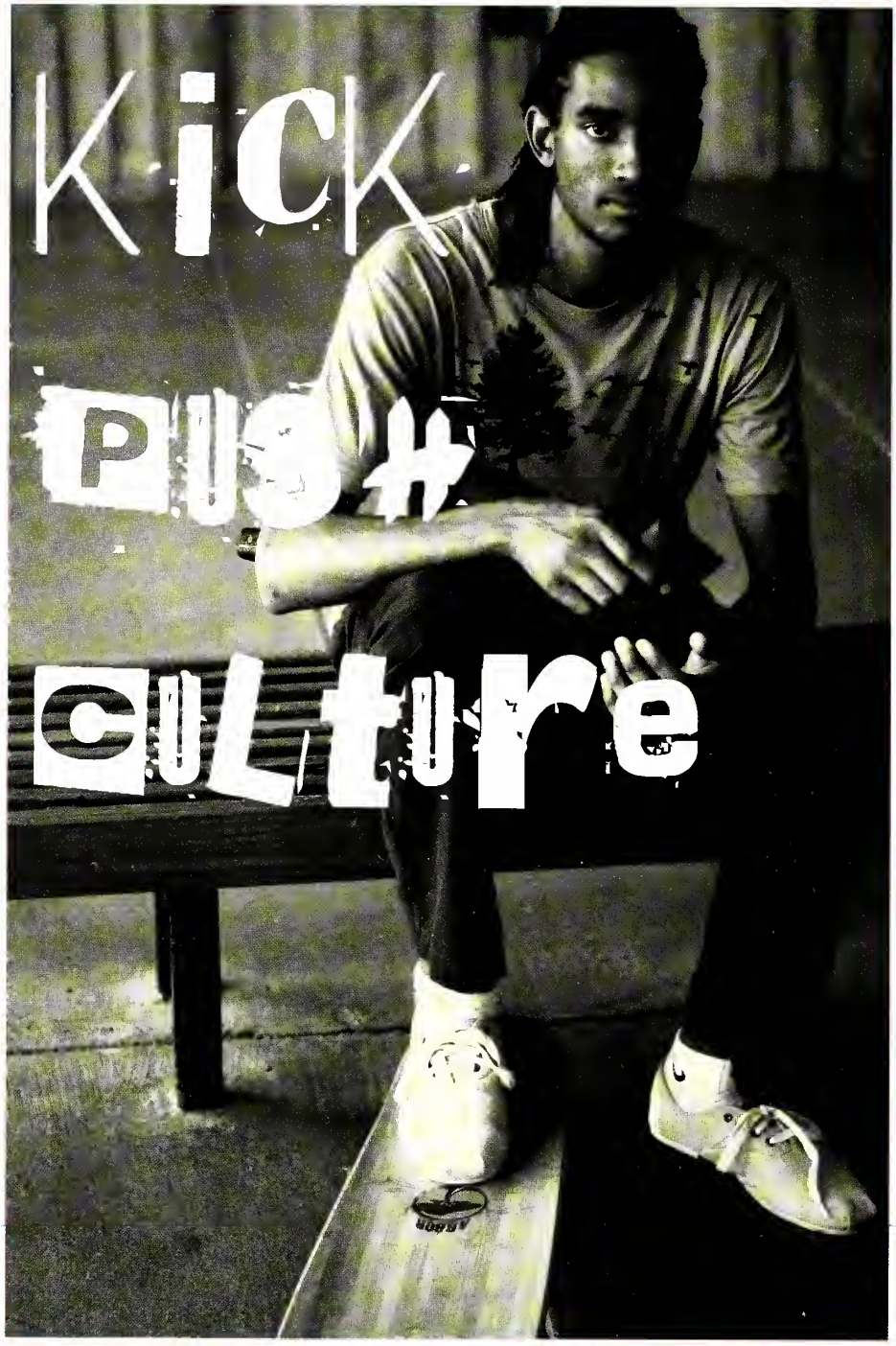
Arabian Nights
U.S.M. Banquet

Banquet Candids



OU LET'S RIDE

Kick Push Culture



"Can't we all just get a long board?", said Marc Harrell when asked about his sport. "Its like being a kid again… I love it. It's like surfing on pavement."

All boarders aren't the same. Some are long boarders, some are skateboarders. Skateboarders have more of a hard core punk influence and their plight is more vertical. They love tricks and being in the air. The long boarder, on the other hand, enjoys the coast. They love to carve and slide at high speeds. Believe it or not, the long boarder can reach unimaginable speeds on just wood and wheels. I don't know if its the best way to get around campus but it definitely seems the coolest.

By Lauren Davis

There seems to be an outbreak of boarders on campus. Where did they come from? Were they already here? Who cares! They're super cool. Who wouldn't want to be one or at least date one?

The rise of
the boarders
on campus

The Avenue of the Arts

Expresions::
Innovation
Creativity
Insanity

A true photograph need not be explained, nor can it be contained in words.

-Ansel Adams

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The Art Gallery

Reyhahn Granger

"Photography takes an instant out of time, altering life by holding it still."

~Dorothea Lange

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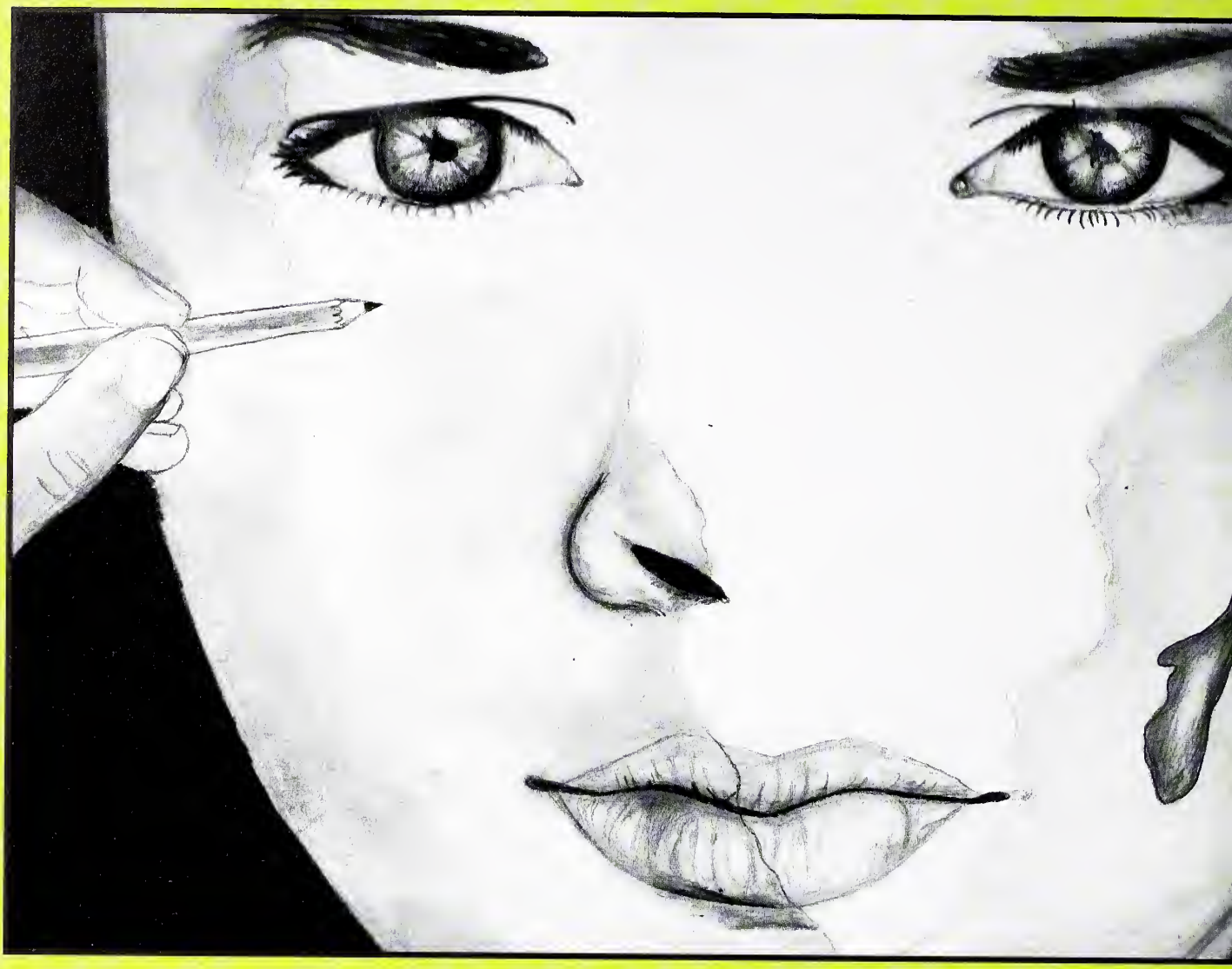
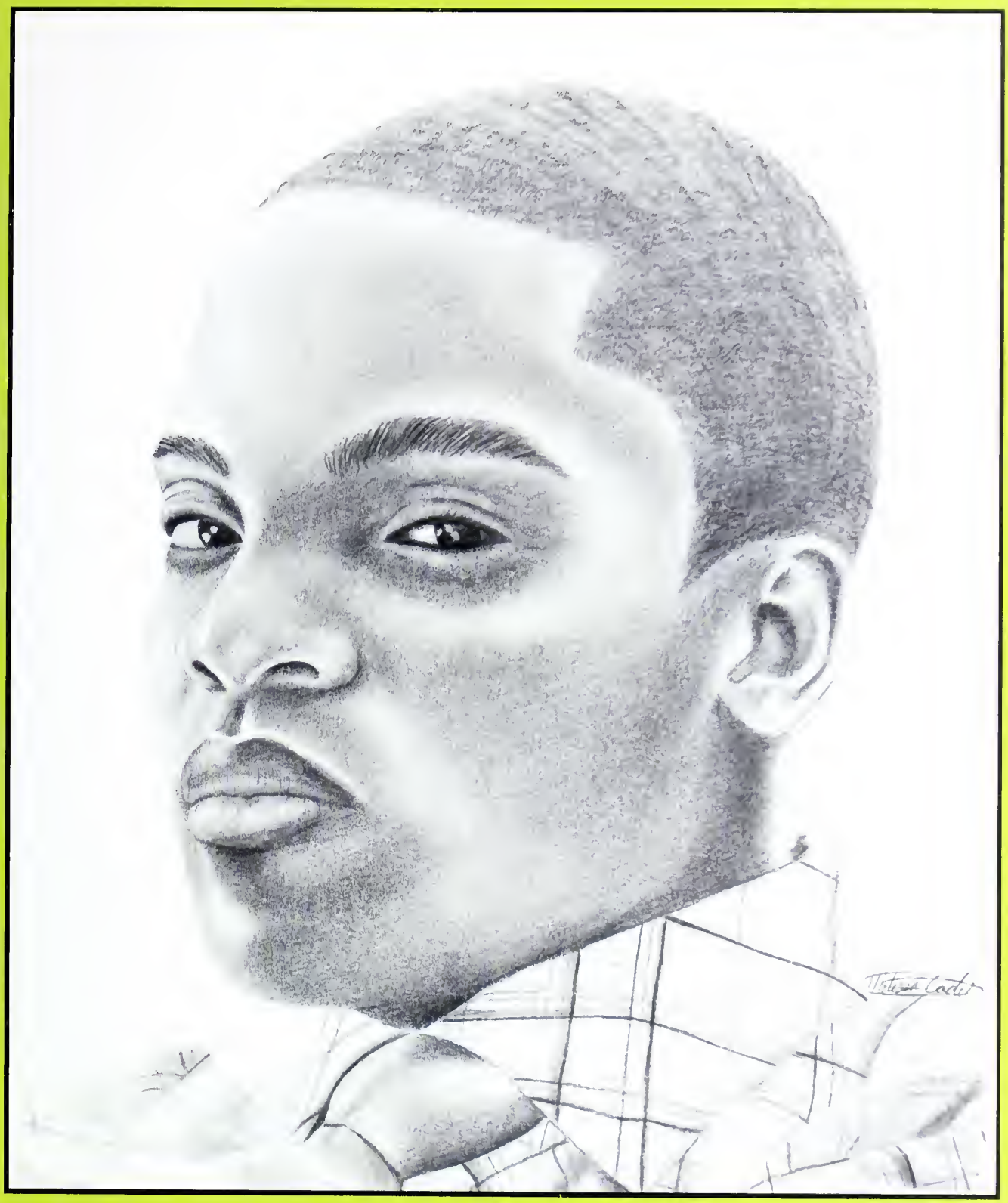


Lloydston Burton II

I prefer drawing to talking. Drawing is faster, and leaves less room for lies.
Le Corbusier



Melissa Cadet

Can we please take a
moment of silence ....
FOR THE LOVE

OF MUSIC

MAKE the GROUP

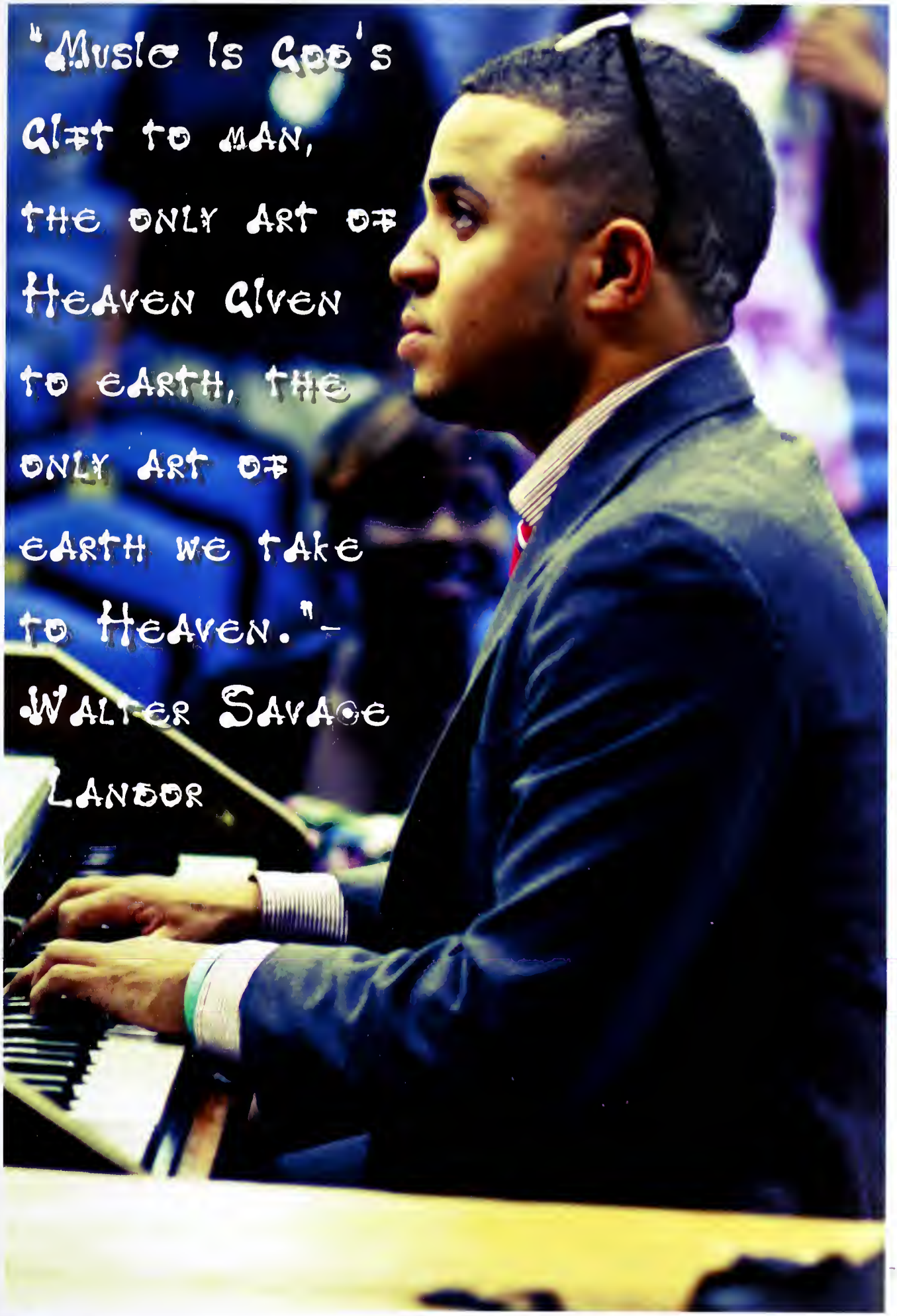
OUTSTANDING

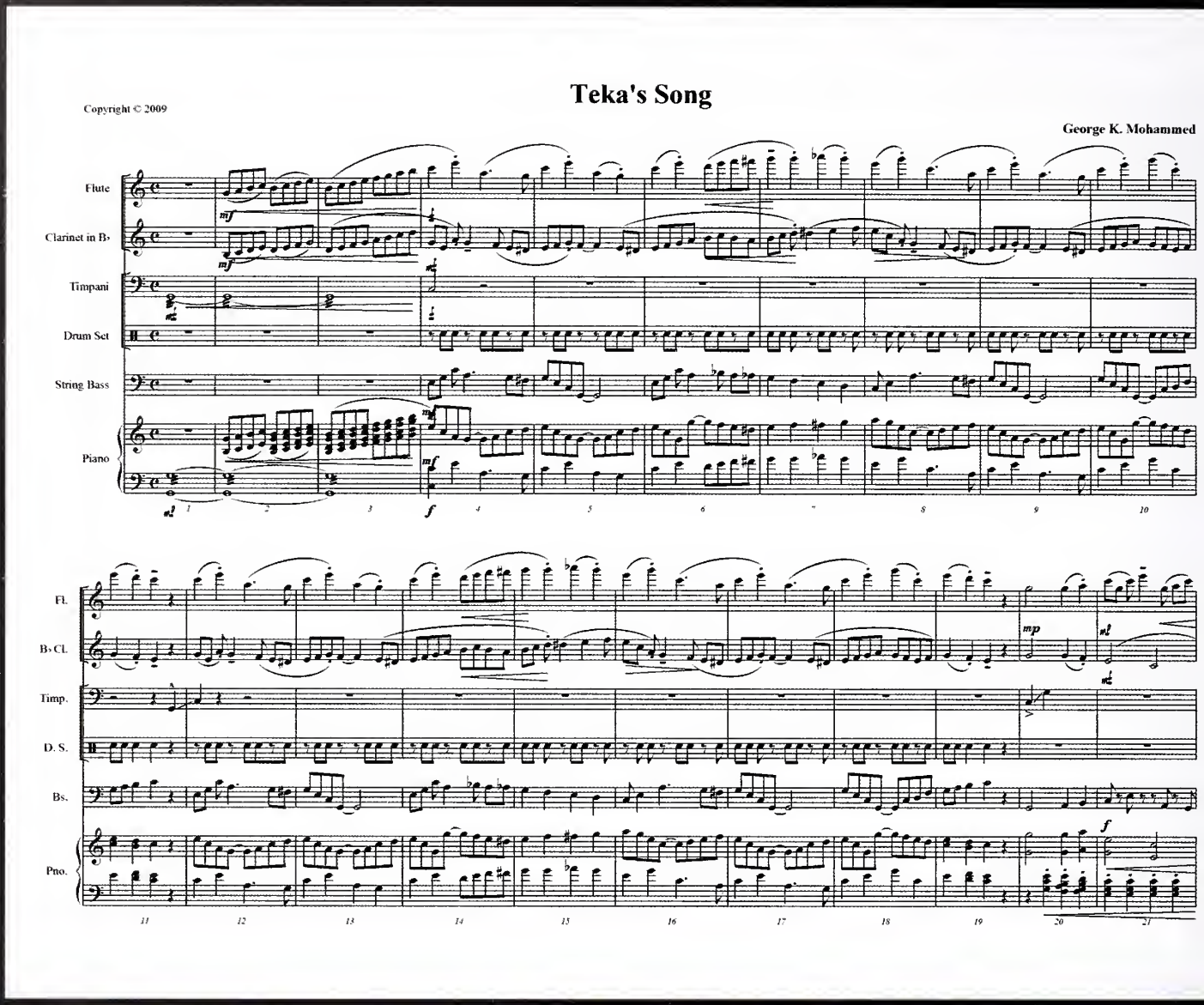
Amazing EXTRAORDINARY

SHINE

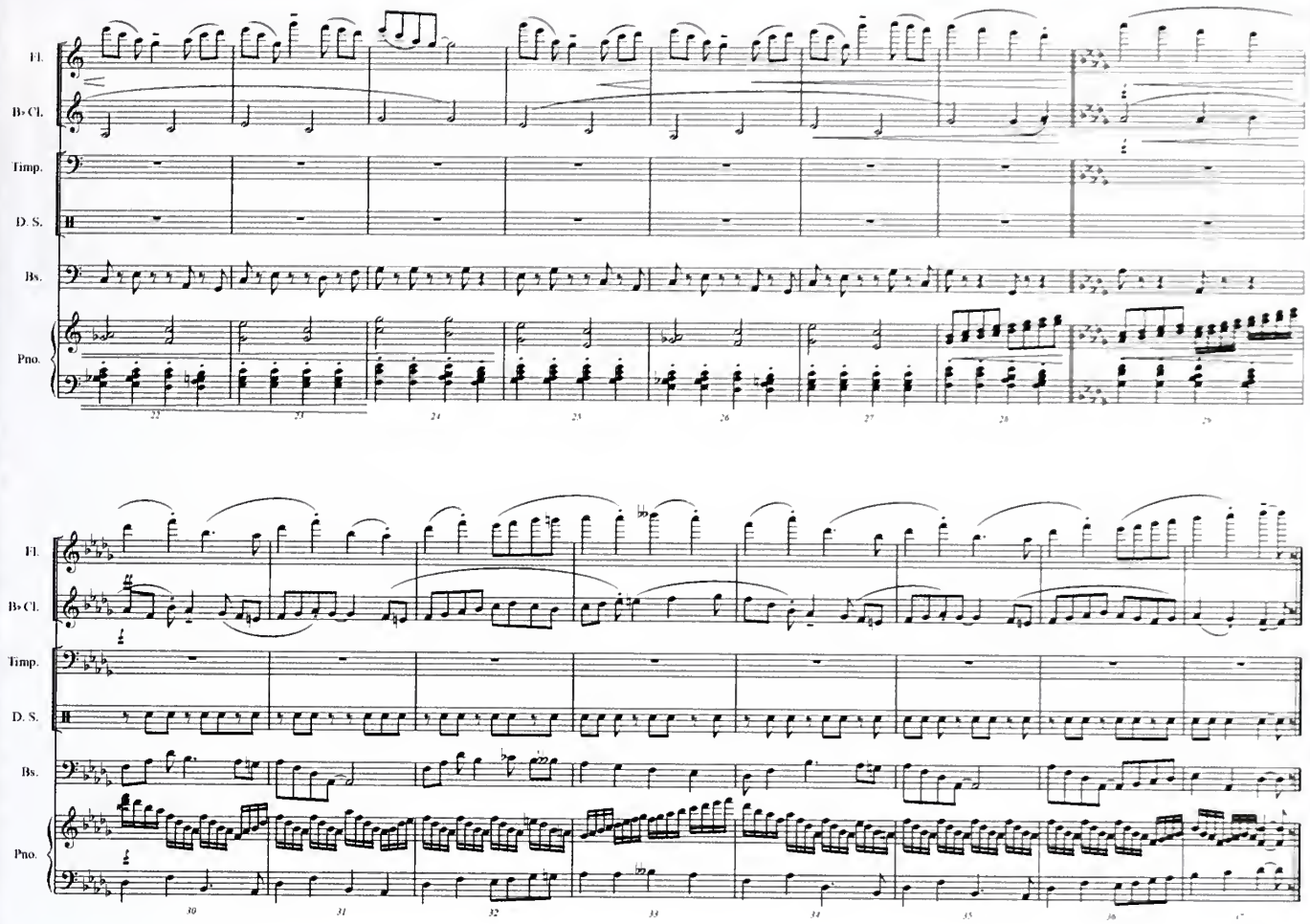
Different

HEY OU!!!!
Let's not forget our loving reality show..."Making Da Group"...We thank you for being apart of the search for Oakwood University's next best all female singing group!!! This, to me, is a simple reminder that there are many talented people on this campus, not just musically, but in many other aspects as well...Stay Tuned... you never know, we might have just created an annual tradition. Special thanks to USM Music & III Oaks Studios...Be Blessed Oakwood...From your Host JMO


"Music is God's
Gift to man,
the only art of
Heaven Given
to earth, the
only art of
earth we take
to Heaven."-
Walter Savage
Landor



"If I were not a physicist, I would probably be a musician. I often think in music. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music. ... I get most joy in life out of music."
- Albert Einstein

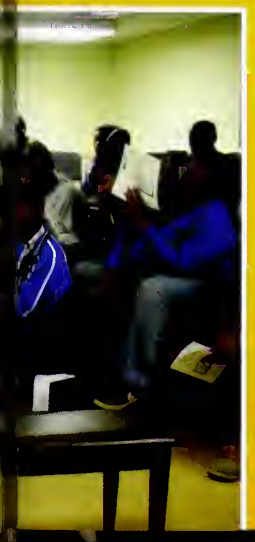


"Music is the one incorporeal entrance into the higher world of knowledge which comprehends mankind but which mankind cannot comprehend."

-Ludwig van Beethoven

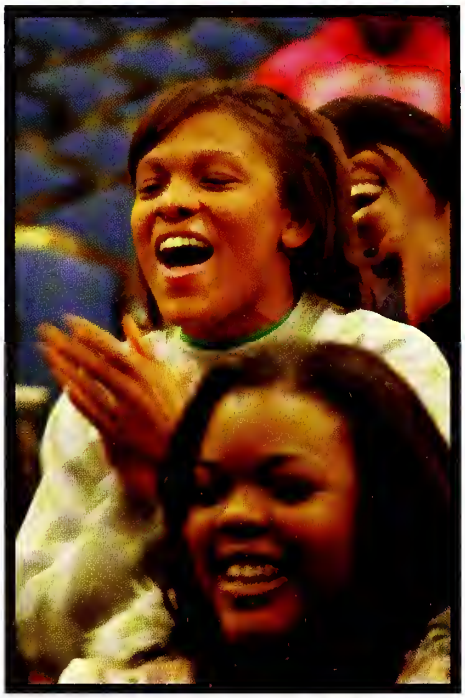
Aeolians & University

Choir
Directed by Jason Max Ferdinand



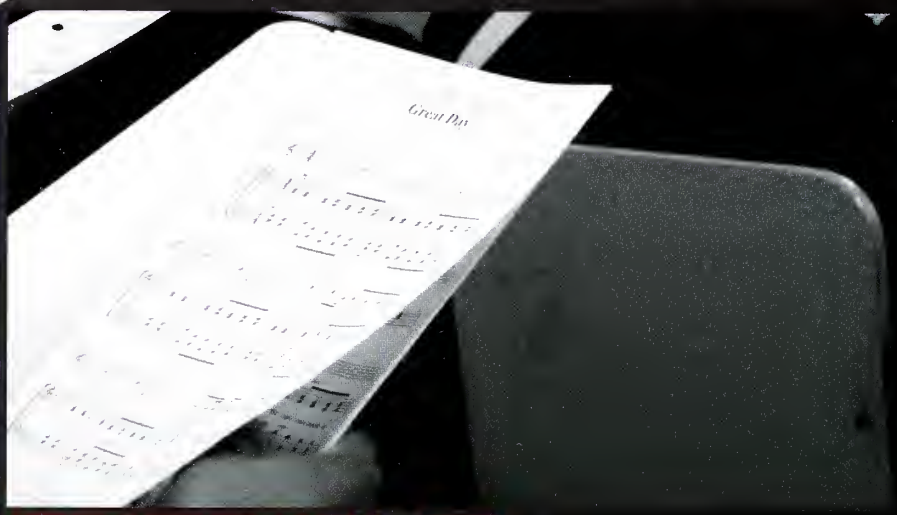
"True art is made noble and religious by the mind producing it. For those who feel it, nothing makes the soul so religious and pure as the endeavor to create something perfect; for God is perfection and whoever strives after it, is striving after something divine."

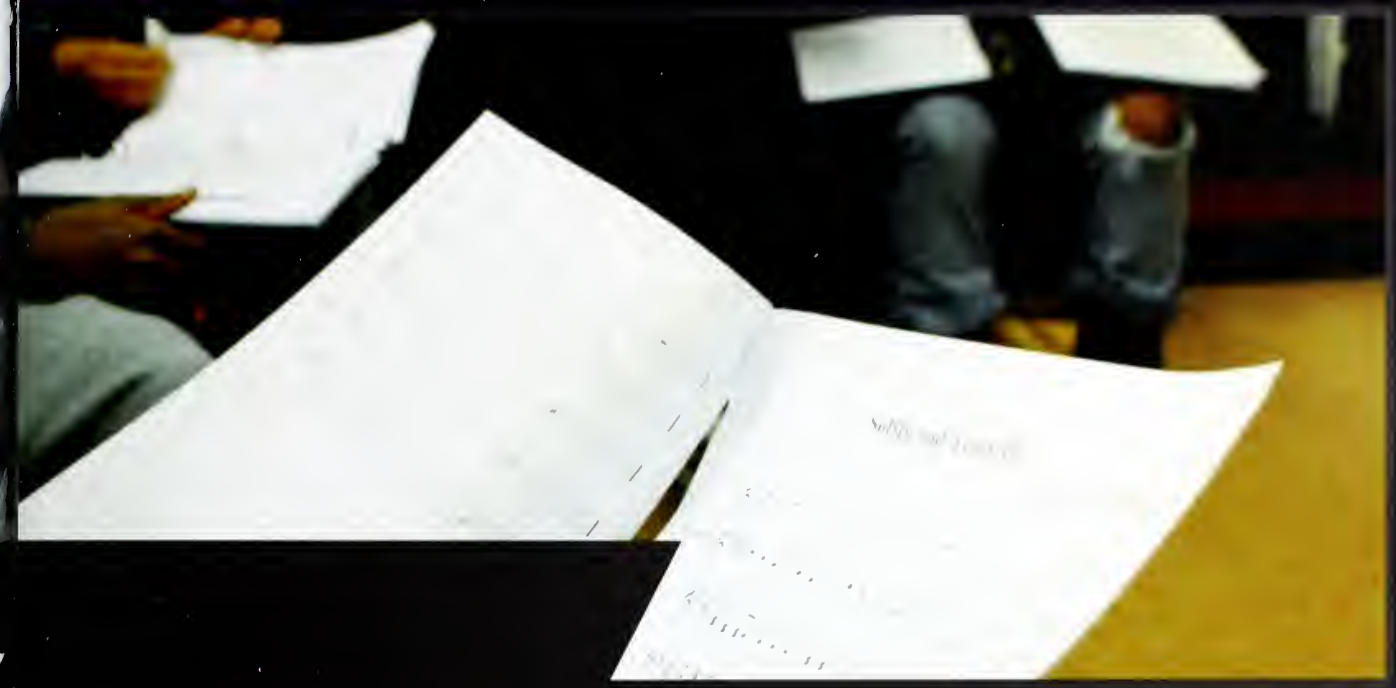
–Michelangelo



Dynamic Praise

MUSIC





MUSIC MOVES THE SOUL TO EXPRESS THE MELODIES OF THE HEART

Oakwood's own, Committed, found themselves on the popular NBC show, "The Sing-Off", and everyone shared in their excitement! During the season students packed the TV room in Ford Hall awaiting their appearance. Committed blew America and the judges away! They soon sang their way to the season finale .

On Monday, December 20, 2010 everyone held their breath in anticipation! Hearts raced, fingers crossed, and prayers ascended before the host announced, "...The winner is Committed!" The crowd went wild and so did everyone in Huntsville. Who would have believed that the boys we once sat next to in class, saw all the time, and shared laughs with would become the winners of a nationwide competition? With their win they received a music contact with Sony Records and $100,000. Now, what else can be said besides, "GO COMMITTED!"

THE
SING-OFF

COMMITTED

The First Amendment of the United States:
Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the

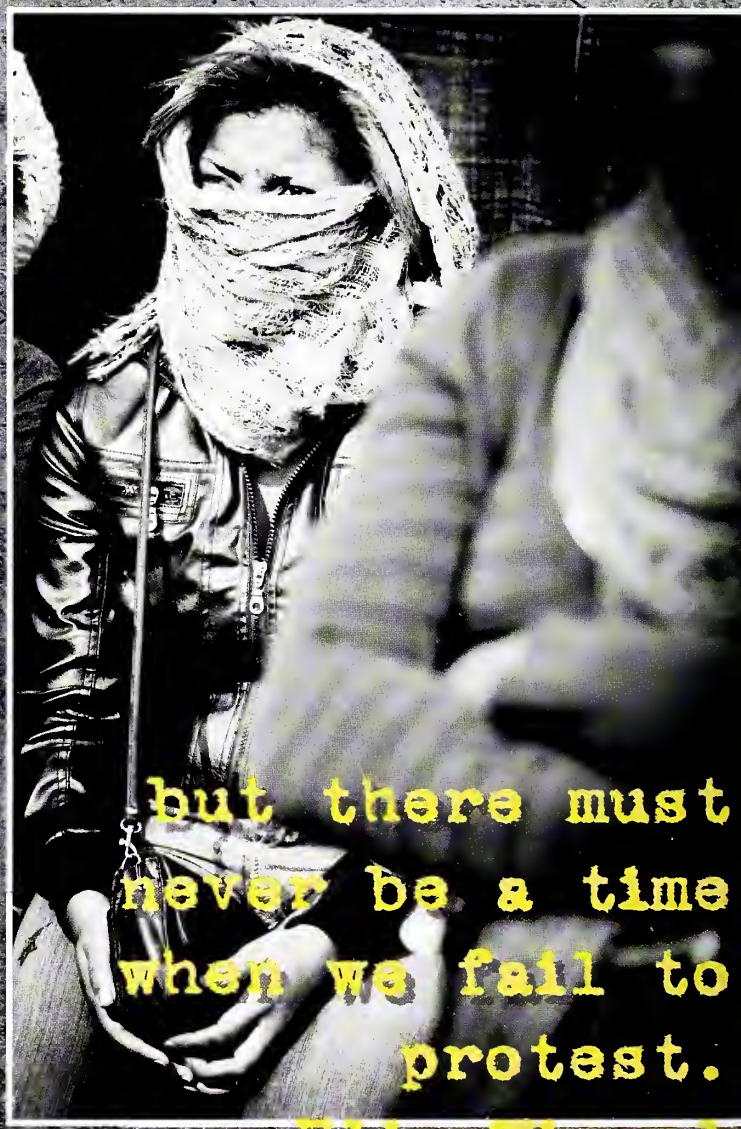
freedom of speech,

or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Don't be afrai
the heart.

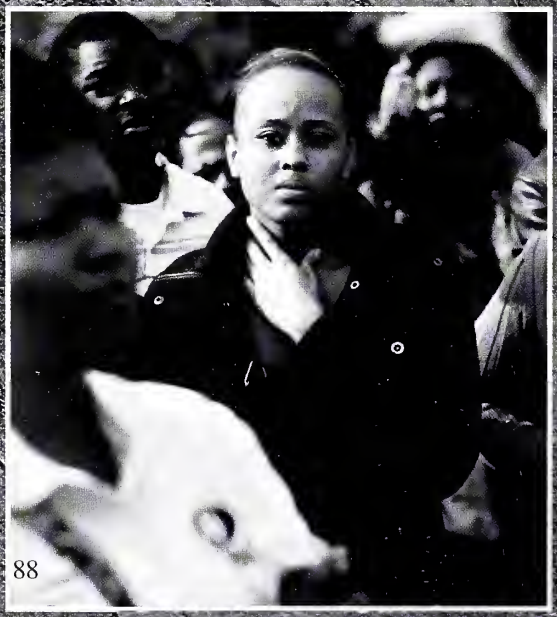
l to Speak from

There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice,



but there must never be a time when we fail to protest.

-Elie Wiesel



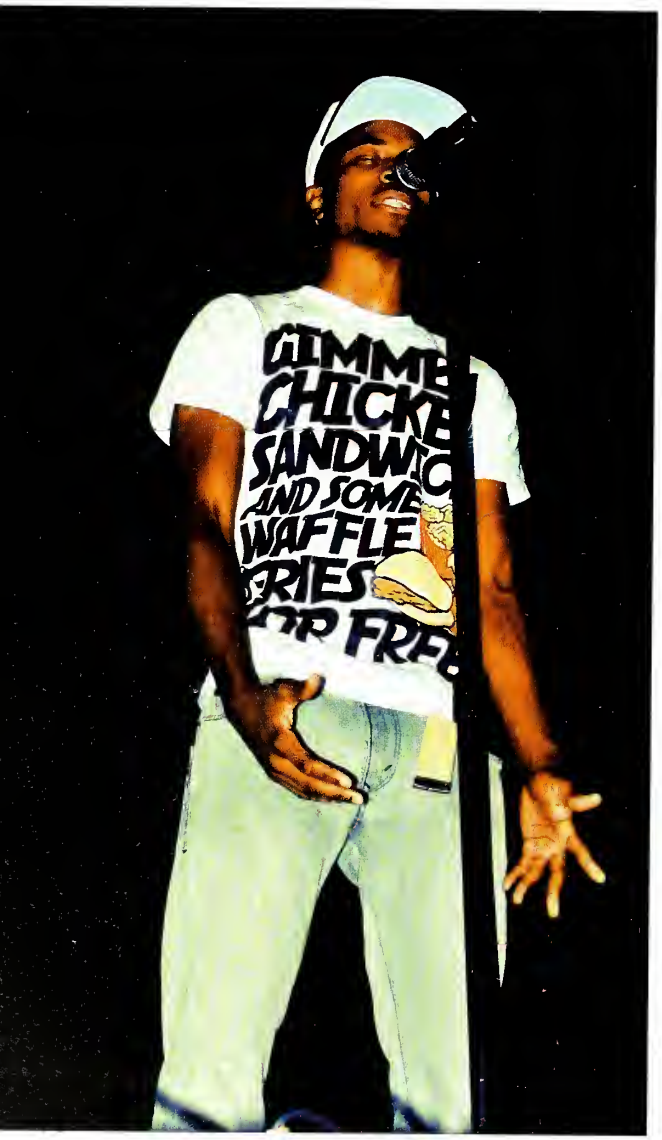
Rally
[ral-ee]
verb, -lied, -lying, noun, plural -lies.
–verb (used with object)
1.
to bring into order again; gather and organize or inspire anew: The general rallied his scattered army.
2.
to draw or call (persons) together for a common action or effort: He rallied his friends to help him.
3.
to concentrate or revive, as one's strength, spirits, etc.: They rallied their energies for the counterattack.

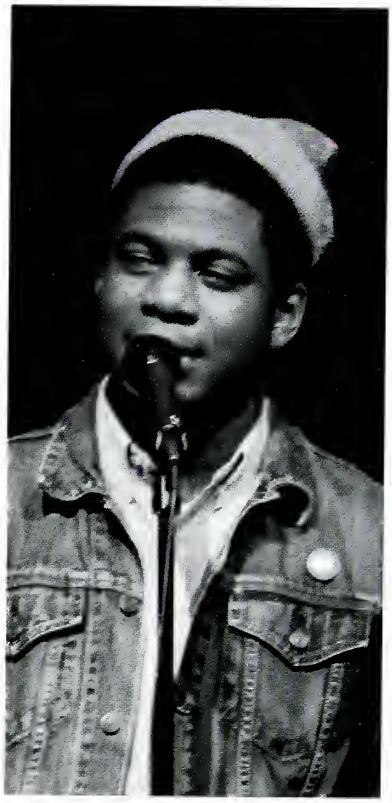
The announcement of Oakwood's new president was made on November 1, 2010. Some students were elated while others were confused. Regardless of personal feelings, members of the student body felt that the election process was misleading. In the weeks leading up to the announcement of the new president, the student body was asked to rate potential candidates. This led students to believe that their opinion would be heard, or at least, considered in the selection process. Some where disappointed to hear that it was not.

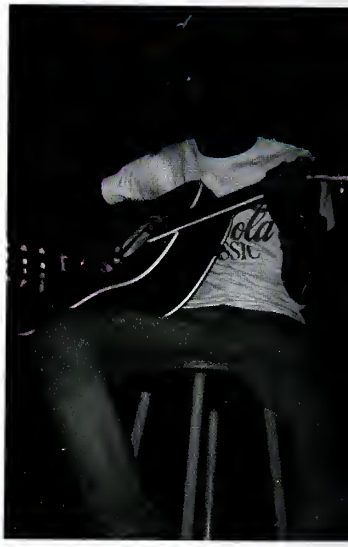
Thus, on Tuesday, November 2, 2010, The United Student Movement (USM) gathered the student body for a peaceful, organized, and informative rally. USM felt that the election process of the new president was indifferent to student concerns and chose to rally as a channel to express their discontent.

During chapel, students met at the Simon of Cyrene Monument of Service, hoping that decision-makers would understand their plea. The students felt that they should be involved in important decisions that take place on Oakwood's campus. Who can say that this was not a reasonable cause? No one wants to feel muted if they have a voice and truely have something to say.

Art and soul



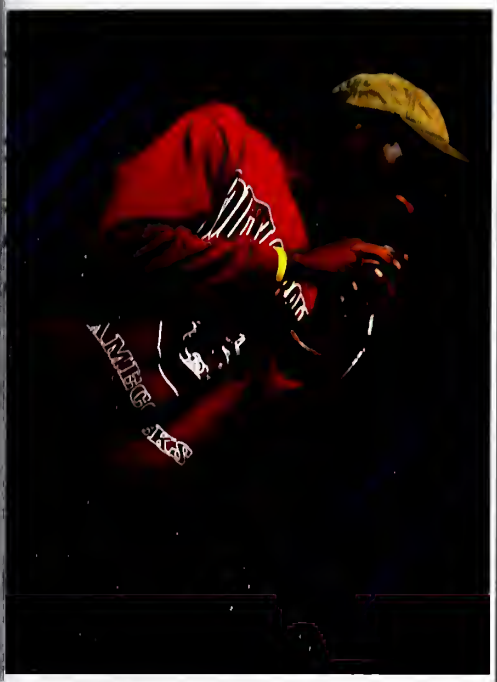


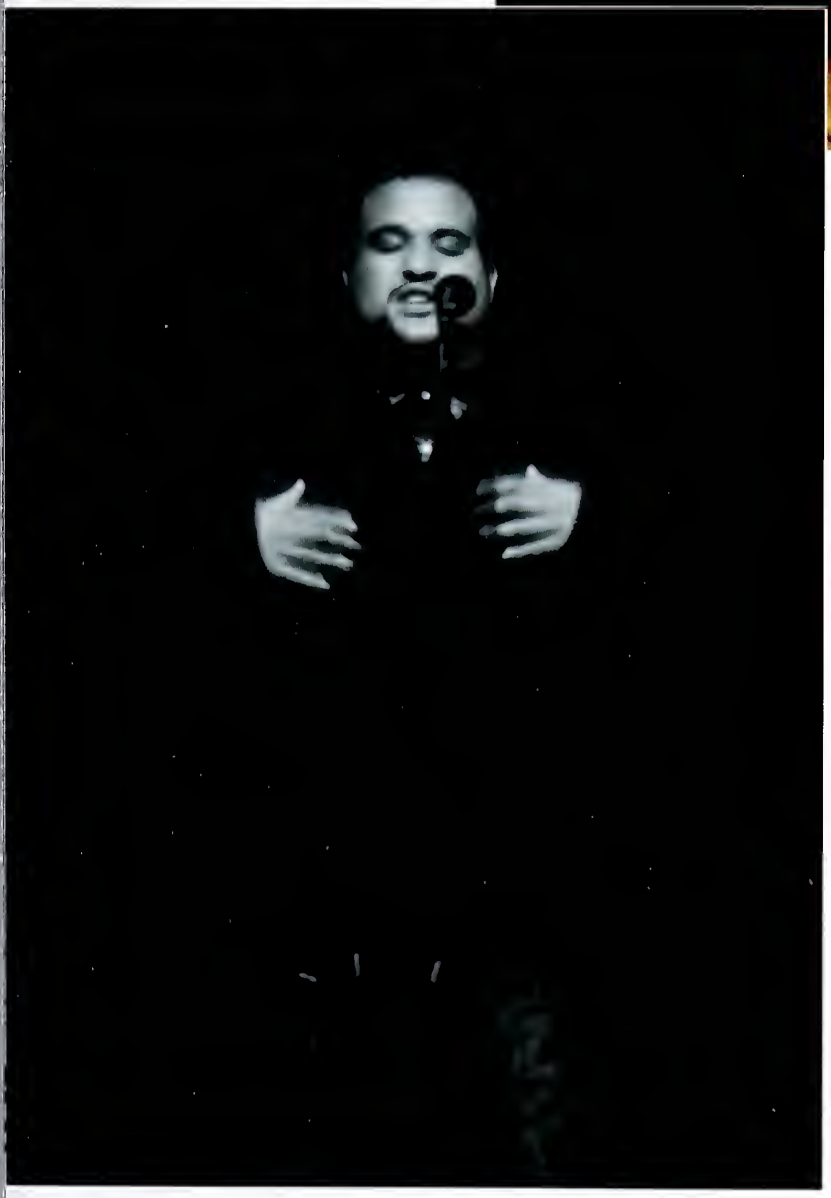


Listen

Relax

Let it move you.





Sheney

Carolyn

She is a musician
and her voice holds the cure called life
outlined with the instrument of time
she appreciates taking her time
as she modulates through her next beginning
singing of sweet sorrows
and brand new tomorrows

She is a love
loving as if loss lives on her left arm
right across from her heart
she is a fighter
struggling to win a war
that has already been predetermined
she reminds me of the way
rainbows shine bright after a really bad storm

I really hope she realizes
that the ground underneath her bare feet
applaud her rhythm and blues
and she will only dance to sorrow as long as
she only hears his melodies
there is a different beat that sways in her
future
she is just currently learning to listen to
her own heart beat
her unique melody
She will be ready
when the clouds roll back
and the thunder stops clapping

She will learn to let go
and in that freedom she will fly gracefully
to a new beginning
this is just another beginning
another year that will bring her to discover
just who Yahweh will have her be,
she is His instrument
all has been
always will be
but with each passing year
her purpose becomes more defining

this musician
this beauty
this flower that is in the midst of blossoming
she reminds me of time...
It looks beautiful on her

- Nicole Hardin

CHOKE

Never did I think it was possible
to choke from swallowing to much
pride.
If anything,
It'd be more dangerous to leave
it lingering on the tip of your
tongue.
I'm sorry.
Something you've never said, but
live up to on a daily basis
You are a pitiful waste of time.
The only time you've been given
permission to stop biting your
tongue, you dip your head under
water.
What good is holding your breath
if no one ever taught you to
swim?
You're too heavy to float.
The back of your throat is too
preoccupied balancing your
grudges.
There are days when I wanna
smack the taste out your mouth.
But seeing as how you can't
breathe, I doubt you could eat
anything except your own words.
Or is that something else you've
practiced?
Have you mastered the task of
fasting from a daily dose of the
crap advice you call wisdom?
I must confess.
Your constant claims to be real
never did impress me.
But watching you drown in your
own self-afflictions makes me
realize why you always stuck to
the shallow end in the first
place.
Maybe I'm expecting too much
from you.

See, you could only crawl to
safety.
Safely hidden between right and
left, maybe you never thought
moving forward was an option.
But I don't feel sorry for you.
Yes, it was my fault for
thinking that birds flocked
together.
When things got rough, you
ducked,
And I mistook you for a swan.
I never really had good eye
sight underwater.
But I always knew something
about you smelled a little bit
fishy.
I could always taste the
saltiness of waters abruptly
brushed from your wings to my
beak.
The crack of your lying voice
always did sound similar to a
quack.
I lacked the ability to read you
when I needed to.
See I needed to hear you.
I needed to hear you like when
there's something you want to
hear, but can only hear what's
interrupting you.
Like
The silence is too loud for me
to be honest.
Like
The silence is too strong for me
to show ANY signs of a time
where I was once weak.
Well look at you now.
Drifting away.
Bound by your anger,
The same anchor pulling you
lower than the mud tracks you
left behind to pollute waters
you thought were pure,
and no one can save you but
yourself.

All the knowledge in the world
couldn't grow you a brain,
couldn't sustain enough value
to convince you that your words
are worthless.
You sound a lot like guilty.
Your grudges will age you,
degrade you,fade you to gray
shades of lukewarm tensions.
You're splashing your wings
cause mommy never taught you to
fly.
But if ever you do decide to
swallow up your regrets
Make sure you chew first.

-Tianna Lewis

Social Exodus

Shackled and chained they were
soulless beings deceived into believing that their bondage had meaning
On my journey I saw them toiling in a desert
A familiar people with vibes of comfort
Despicable though
They cast judgment amongst each other,
Only to mimic the same judgment cast
Creating massive circles of people blindly following the people they can't see
Questioning their reason for living
but not understanding that they obtain the key that unlocks the chains
That keep them bond together
Darkness and confusion consumed them
Their minds constantly die while their bodies' stay alive
Their souls harvest mold,
The color is more dark and cold than the deepest black imaginable
Addicted to a drug that is shoved down every throat with hopes of creating fiends
They often succeed
That beast named deceit prowls around them waiting to eat
To him, the flesh of their minds are a royal delicacy
So he sets up traps and schemes with rap and T.V.
Capturing the innocent and naive who don't even have a chance to think

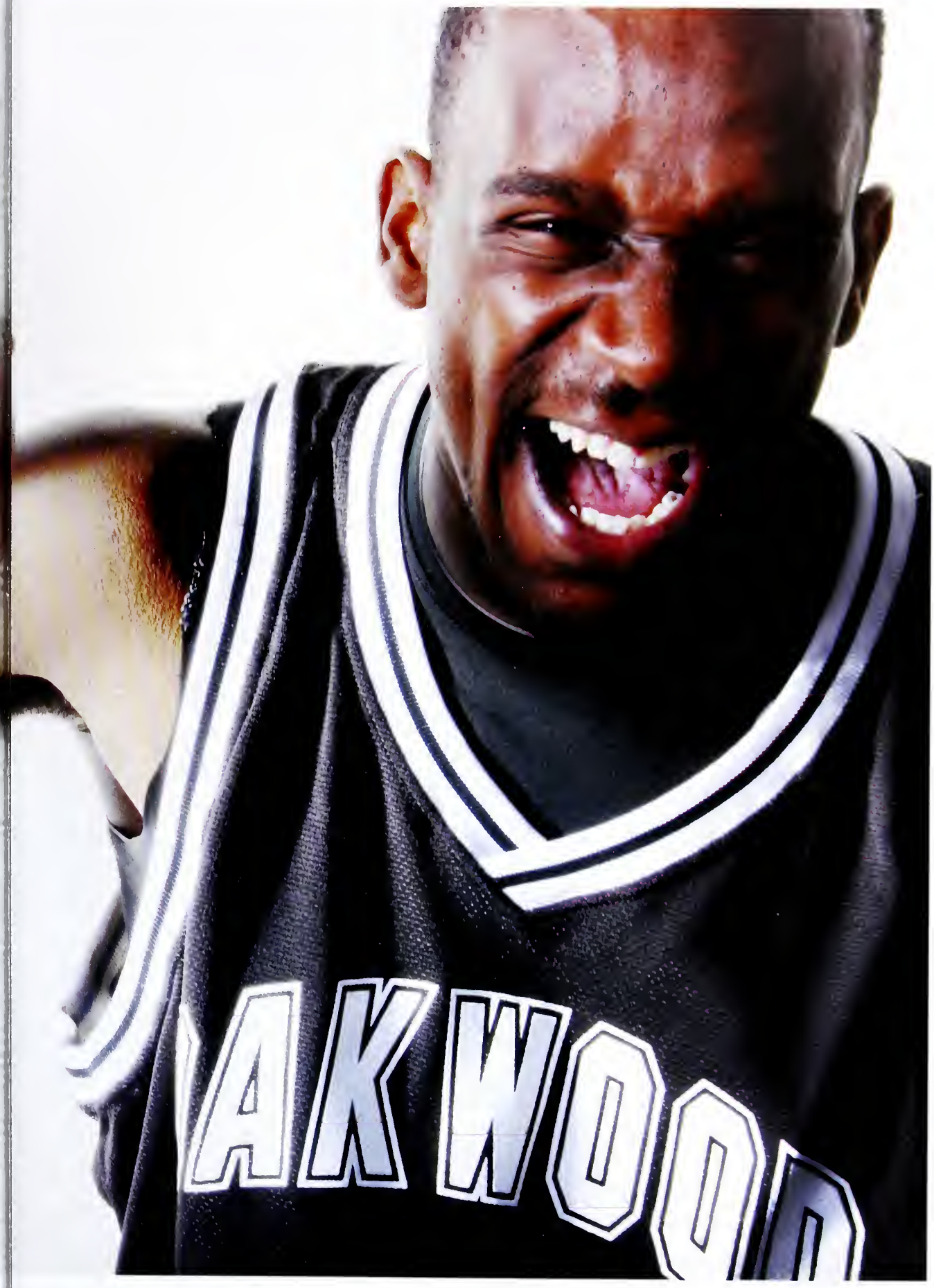
These chains cannot be seen
So the illusion of being free remains a reality
I noticed something while observing this scene
The same shackles and chains had once enslaved me
So I made it my mission to help set these people free
Showing them the key that will unlock them from slavery
The power within themselves to let their minds off this leash
The child has been born
The veil has been torn
His Word has nailed everything to the tree
We must accept our salvation to truly be set free
As God's people we must stand and move in the direction of His promise land
Hand in hand with the Son of Man
We must exile from Babylon and all of it's traditions and vile songs
We must break these chains that bind our minds
We must hold strong in faith
So that we may not wonder in the wilderness for extended amounts of time
We must break this oppression and raise equality
We must wipe away transgression and set the captives free
Oh Jerusalem wash your hearts from wickedness
That you may be saved from your deception
How long shall those vain thoughts lie within thee
Oh Jerusalem you are keeping you from perfection
-Harrison Morel

Say
what
you
need
to
say...

and wait for the
applause.

SPORTS

Expression:
COURAGE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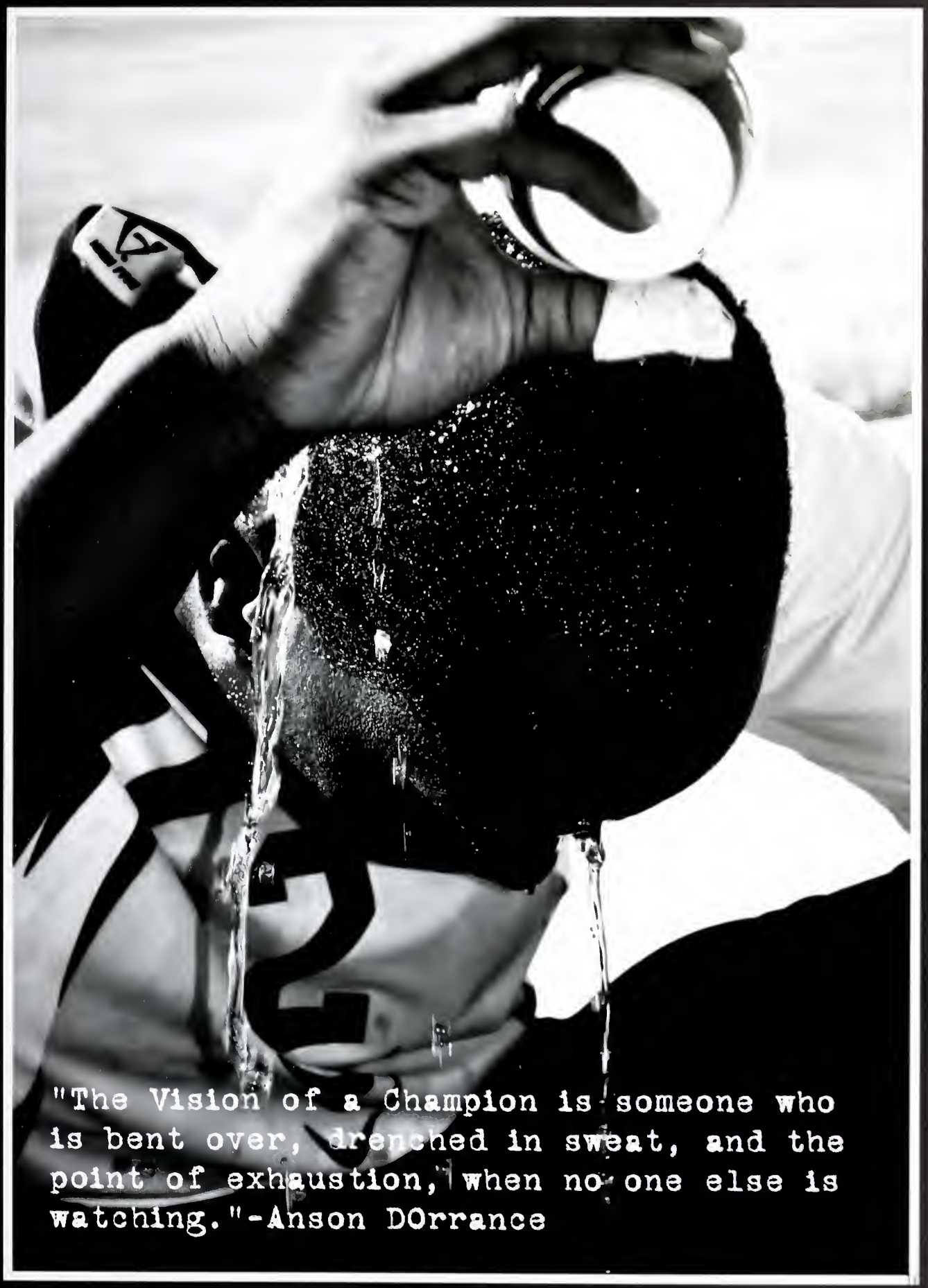
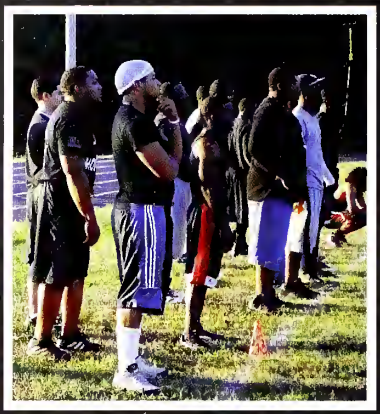
OU sports

Just do it.



"The Vision of a Champion is someone who is bent over, drenched in sweat, and the point of exhaustion, when no one else is watching."-Anson DOrrance



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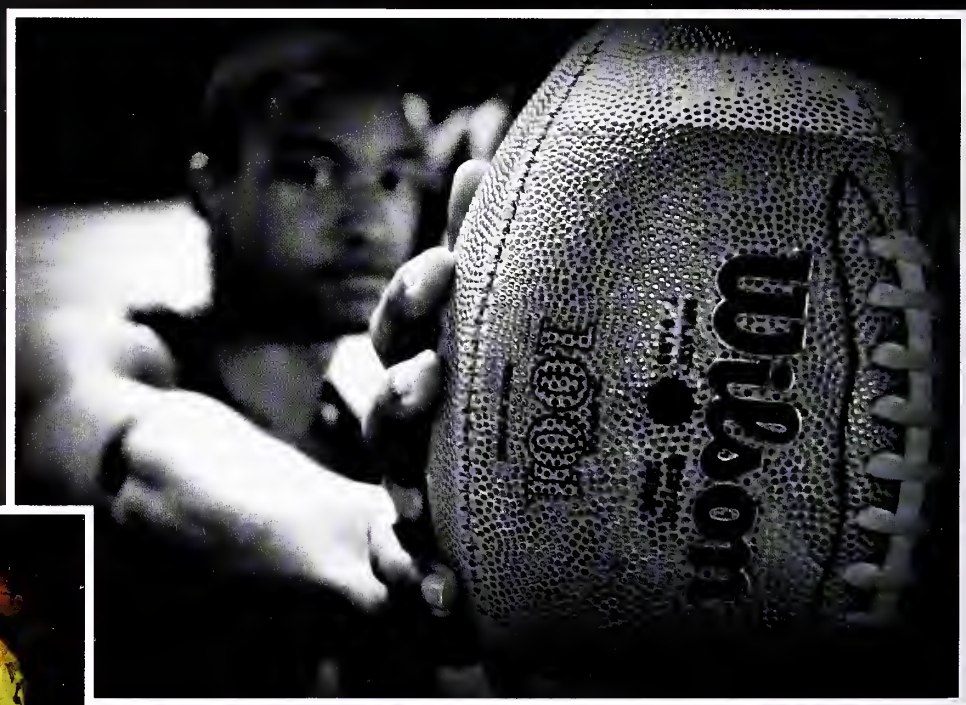
Champions

COME HERE
TO WIN



Flag Football

Offense

Hike

Cut Back

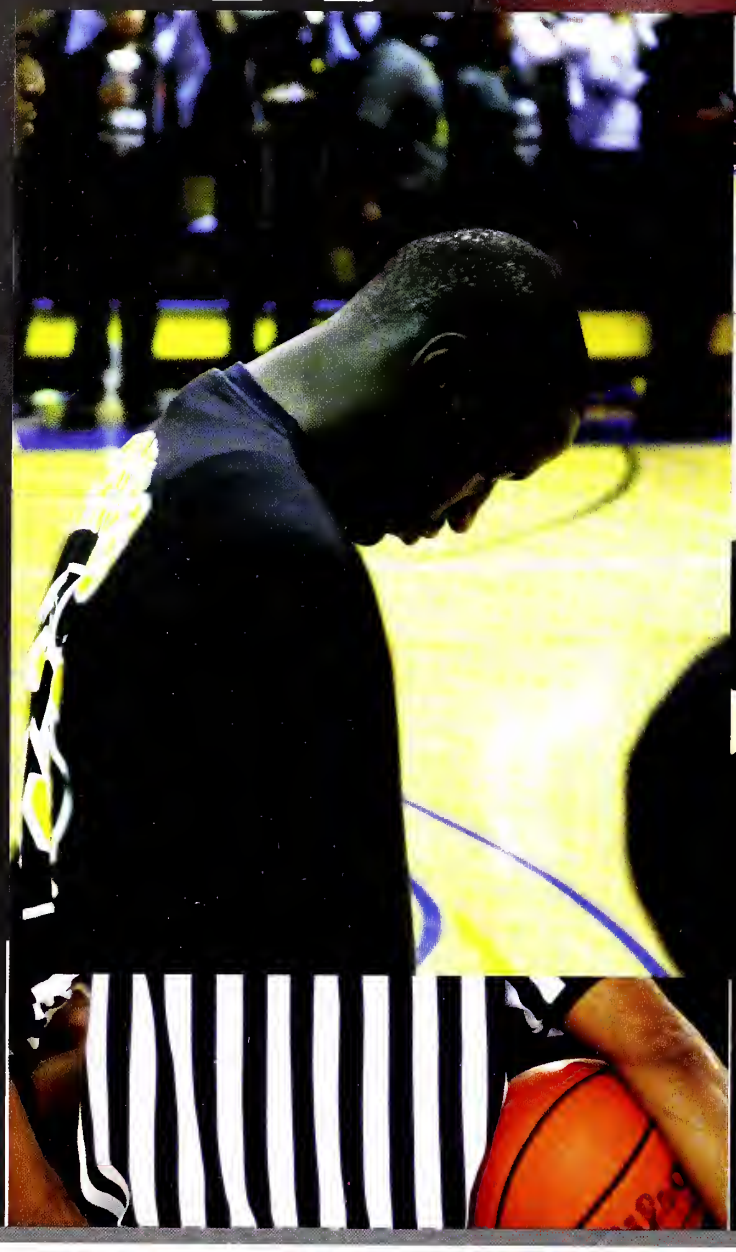
Balance

Defense

Block

Play Smart

OU WHERE



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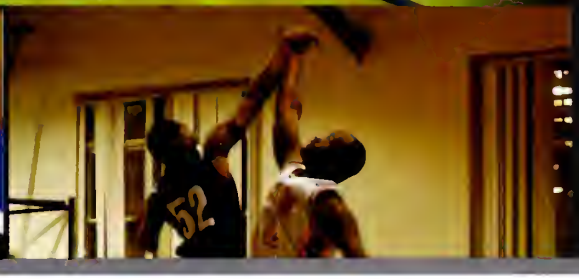

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BLOWING THROUGH THE WINDY CITY

LADY

Kayla Edwards

Kara Baxter

Erica Peote

Christine Hairston

Sheryl Dublin

Aleya Willis

Kim Pointer

AMBASSADORS

Jessica Washington

Britney Lumbard

Meghan Curtis

Courtney White

Danielle Lewis

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PARK
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Ambassadors

LADIES VOLLEYBALL

Lenair Black
Jade Black-Captain
Elana Brown
Victoria Brown
Kristina Christian
Jade Callaahan
Zipporah Gaines-Captain
Ruthaney Henry
Takisha Johnson
Melissa Morgan
Danielle Smithen
Briana Richardson

Aceline Alusca
Scinsha Eugene
Chioma Giofor-Captain
Jenica Frederick
Ashante Lucombe
Britney Lumbard
Carol Ncube
Daris Odhiambo
Alesia Perkins
Noel Reid
Ashley Simpson
Eva Smith
Kerri Stuart
Shianne Webb- Captain

LADIES SOCCER

OU MEN'S SOCCER

Greg Scarlett,
Keevon Holdipp,
Dwayne Wescom (Captain),
Richard Birkett,
Dale Simpson (Co Captain),
Andre' Artis,
Paul Selman, Emmanuel
Phaeton,
Andrew Coke,
Philip Kerimah,
Loward Ziv Piper,
Titus Wongk,
Kevin Vacciana,
Tarik Smith-Tweed,
Carl Okumu-Camevra

Clubs and Organizations

Expressions:
Accomplished
Involved

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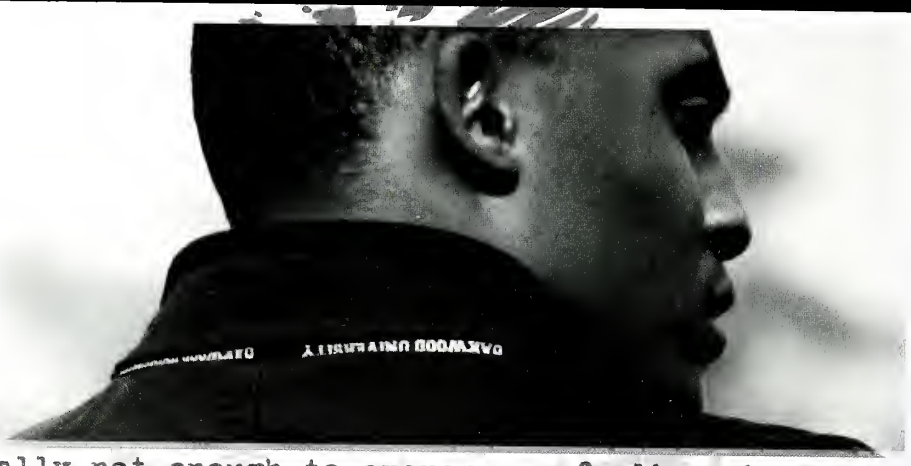

WOW! One page is really not enough to express my feelings in relation to my presidency and what we have been so blessed to accomplish during this time. First and foremost I would like to say that it has been more than a pleasure serving each and every one of you. I am so thankful and grateful for this awesome opportunity.
I am proud to say that under my administration an array of changes were made manifest here at Oakwood. We worked tirelessly with Oakwood in regards to renovating the cafe. I strongly feel that students are now better able to appreciate the updated and spacious facility that has been provided and enjoy their meals. During my tenure as President we were able to extend curfew for upperclassmen. I am also thankful for being influential in switching our bookstore to the more reliable and more efficient Barnes & Noble. I feel I brought accountability and transparency to this office; two components that had been obsolete for far too long.
Regardless of the issue, whether it involved disciplinary action or even more personal matters, USM was involved and had a penchant for not only being aware, but also being steadfast and reliable. I must say that I would have never been able to accomplish these and other milestones without the cooperation of a great USM cabinet coupled with a supportive Administration, who were eager to work with the USM. But I would most certainly be remiss if I didn't assert how vital a role God played during my stint as President. By His grace, we were able to bring positive change to Oakwood and in doing so invigorate the student body.
As I exit this office, I say to you my fellow Oakwoodites, thank you for your support. Thank you for your countless Facebook and text messages of encouragement. Thank you for the comments of critique on twitter. Your honesty, sincerity and openness have been much appreciated, and is why I will forever be indebted to you. I have indeed had the time of my life. As I embark upon a new journey in my life, I will never forget these past two years. I will always remember the lessons learned that brought wisdom, the failures that brought humility, and the successes that yielded unspeakable joy. I love you, God bless and...Roll Tide. (haha just kidding)
Your Servant,

T. Antwan Knight

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Mission Possible

Imagine being on campus just doing your school work. You decide to take a break from your studies and check your e-mail. You turn on your computer and click on your internet explorer icon. Your MSN homepage loads and to your utter horror you see pictures of your hometown in disaster: completely destroyed. Bodies litter the ground and you can't decide if they are dead or alive. Now put yourself in the shoes of someone whose family lives in that area. Your roots are there. This is the place where you took your first steps and said your first words. You see your country in shambles. You can no longer think about the important paper that you have to write, the crucial test that will make or break your semester's grade, or what the next meal in the cafe is going to be; your mind is at home.

You wonder, "Did my friends and neighbors survive – what about my parents and siblings!"

Many of our fellow students at Oakwood University are of Haitian descent. The New York Times reported of a 30 second earthquake hitting Port-au-Prince, Haiti, killing 200,000 – 250,000 people: a major shock to the Oakwood Community as well as the world. Many students tried to communicate to their loved ones back home but were unable to. The National Association for the Prevention of Starvation (NAPS) assembled their resources and put together an emergency response team. Just two days after this cataclysmic catastrophe NAPS was on ground zero of this earthquake providing food and medical assistance to survivors.

NAPS was founded in 1978 and became a registered non-profit organization in the state of Alabama in 1993. It is a volunteer organization made up of students from all over the world with all types of majors. However they have joined together with one mission in mind: to help the hurting.

Helping at Home

When many people think of service they focus on the starving and helpless citizens of third-world nations. People talk about reaching the unreached in foreign countries, but few talk about reaching the people they pass by every day. Though NAPS has programs in place that span globally, they still remember the need in their own area. In the city of Huntsville, NAPS helps the community with an array of services every week.

The emphasis of NAPS is to improve the education and health in towns where generations have found themselves trapped in the cycle of being uneducated and unhealthy. The learning facilities are filthy, the teachers are stretched few and far between, students lack textbooks, and the situation at home is very dire. Children are poor and rarely encounter young, Christian role models. NAPS members are coming to these areas to bring hope to what seems to be an academically, physically, and spiritually sad situation.

NAPS members are also focusing on health. Mississippi is one of the most unhealthy states in America. NAPS members are doing health screenings and providing free medical care for the uninsured in these areas. Some citizens have been in complete ignorance concerning their medical condition, but NAPS is helping people to understand some of the things that are taking place in their bodies.

The task is great, but NAPS members are using every resource and opportunity that they have to serve those in need. They do it because of a determined love for their fellow human beings. It is no wonder that many NAPS members have proclaimed they have grown closer in their relationship with God due to their participation in a group that prides itself in love and serving a weakened and hurting humanity.

MKONO Nia

"Nnnkona nani? Mom-can-I-nia? Any-kind-of-negro? HOW DO YOU SAY THE NAME OF THAT DRAMA GROUP ON CAMPUS!" This is usually the question that is heard from year to year, from student to student and everywhere in between. The drama ministry known as MKono Nia is well known om campus even if students can't pronounce it! It is a Swahili name and means hands [with] a purpose. It is pronounced, mm-con-no-nii-ah or you can simply say, "MK." Founded twelve years ago here at Oakwood University, MK has been a consistent family that always has its arms open to accept all who desire to come. There are no auditions, no scripts, and no stunt doubles! All that is required is a heart filled with the desire to serve God in all capacities, your name, where you're from, and something crazy about yourself (embarrassing childhood stories are recommended). They do improv skits, freeze on stage in the midst of plays, say their alphabets in very ridiculous ways, and yell at imaginary dots. Sounds strange right? Don't worry those are just the exercises. The skits presented by this Spirit filled group are comedic yet somber and touching. Everything they do is in light of the text John 3:30, "He must increase, but I [must] decrease." There is always an open invitation to anyone and everyone to sit in or join them during practice at Moran Hall every Friday at 1! Come through! They're waiting...literally. JK. ^__^

STORM A. LEE

We Must Decrease;

He Must Increase!

John

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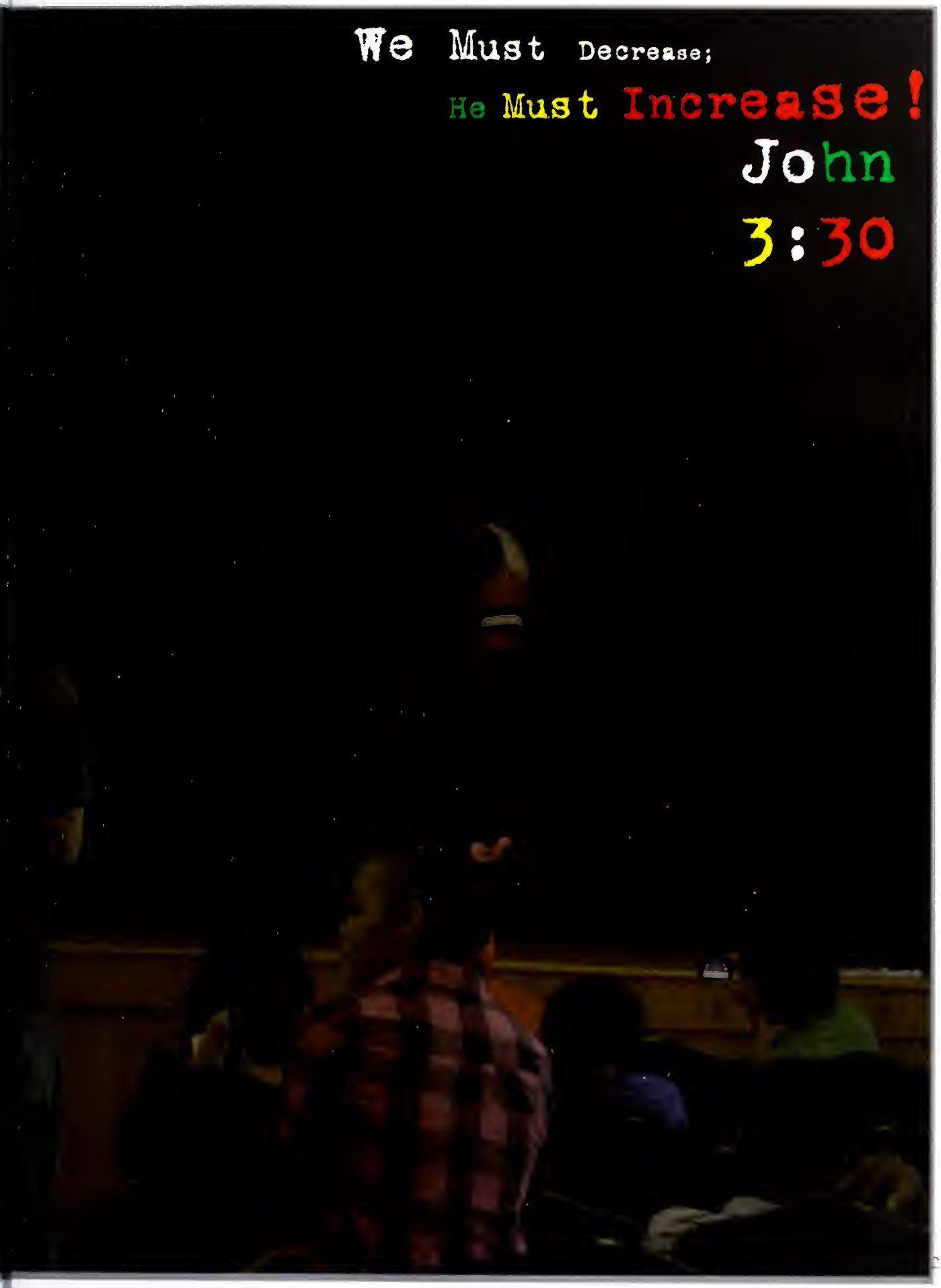
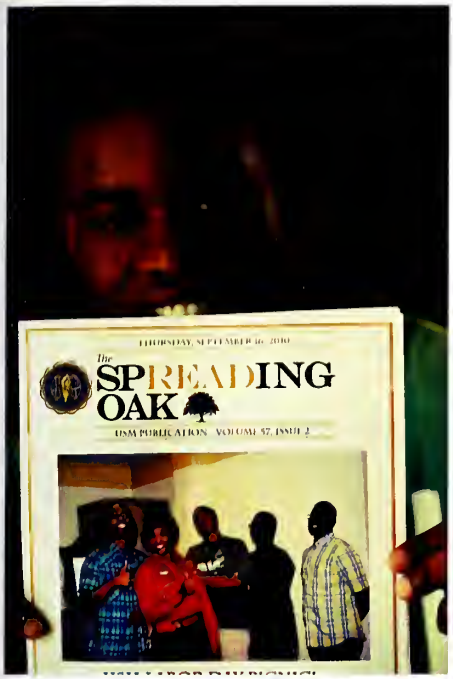


Exceptional. The Spreading Oak has definitely blossomed from mediocre to an excellent newspaper worthy of praise. Haven't read it? The paper spans from news and entertainment to an update on Oakwood University's latest events. It even has section for religious fashion and relationship advice. The writers have done a wonderful job putting together the school paper. Each issue is continually amazing and captivates every reader that browses it's pages. Even if you don't like to read, The Spreading Oak is practical; with only about a dozen pages the Spreading Oak gives students the news without boring them to tears with page upon page of endless words. USM has definitely put together an excellent paper for the students of Oakwood University. Derek Bowe has faithfully delivered each newspaper consistently. Bowe and his staff have tirelessly given a newspaper that deserves admiration and recognition. If you haven't read it yet, it's definitely time to grab a copy.



THE SPREADING OAK

The Proud come back of a great Oakwood Tradition.

OA Clubs and

Alpha Chi

Cancer Awareness and Research Association

Organizations

Caribbean Youth Association

Conquers in Christ

Dental Club

Ecology Club

Education Club

Health and Physical Education

G.A.M.E

Ladies of Excellence

O.B.M.A.

Omega Sigma Psi Psychology Club

O.U.S.N.A.

QU Computer Club

Phi Beta Lambda

Students who are involved in a club or organization enrich their Oakwood experience by increasing their opportunities for meeting new people, discovering an untapped interest or passion, enhancing their educational experience by applying knowledge in new or unexpected places, and contributing to the Oakwood, Huntsville, or global community

Peer Advocates for Wellness

Pre-Law Society

Religion & Theology Forum

S.I.F.E.

Sigma Mu Math and Computer Science

Social Work Club

Future Health Care Professionals Club

Senate

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Sigma Mu Math and Computer Science Club

ECOLOGY CLUB

Pre-Law Society

Cancer Awareness & Research Association

U.S.M.

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Future Health Care Professionals Club

Dental Club

Oakwood University Student Nurses Association

PHI BETA LAMBA

Social Work Club

Ladies of Excellence

OU Computer Club

Oakwood Mountain Forest Club

Conquerors In Christ Ministries

S.I.F.E.

Psychology Club

Wall Posters:

$35

Laptop:

$1,000

School Supplies:

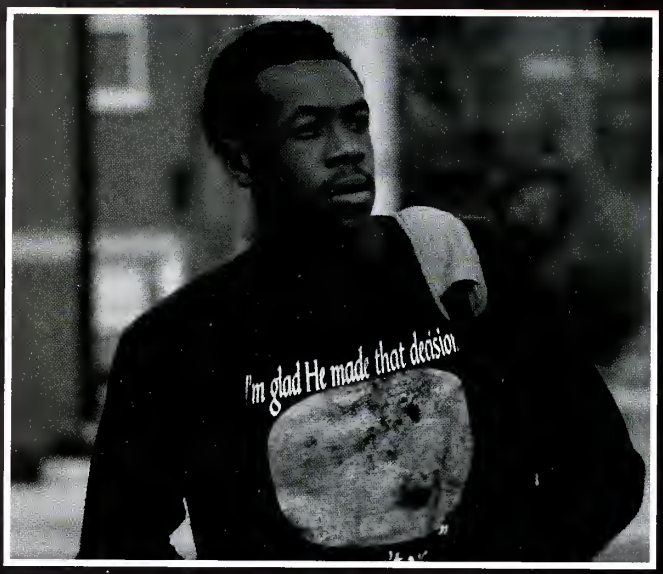
$30

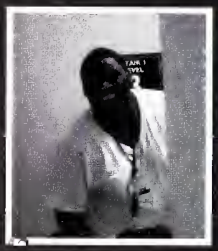
CARTER HALL

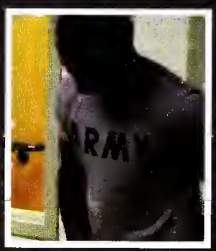
Spending Quality Time With Friends:

Priceless

Holland Hall







Men of Vision

"Vision looks inward and becomes duty. Vision looks outward and becomes aspiration. Vision looks upward and becomes faith."

-Stephen S. Wise

The Oakwood Woman is

Academically Motivated.
Spiritually Enriched.
Socially Secure.

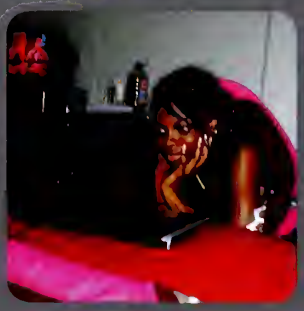
WADE HALL

Woman by Design

JORGY

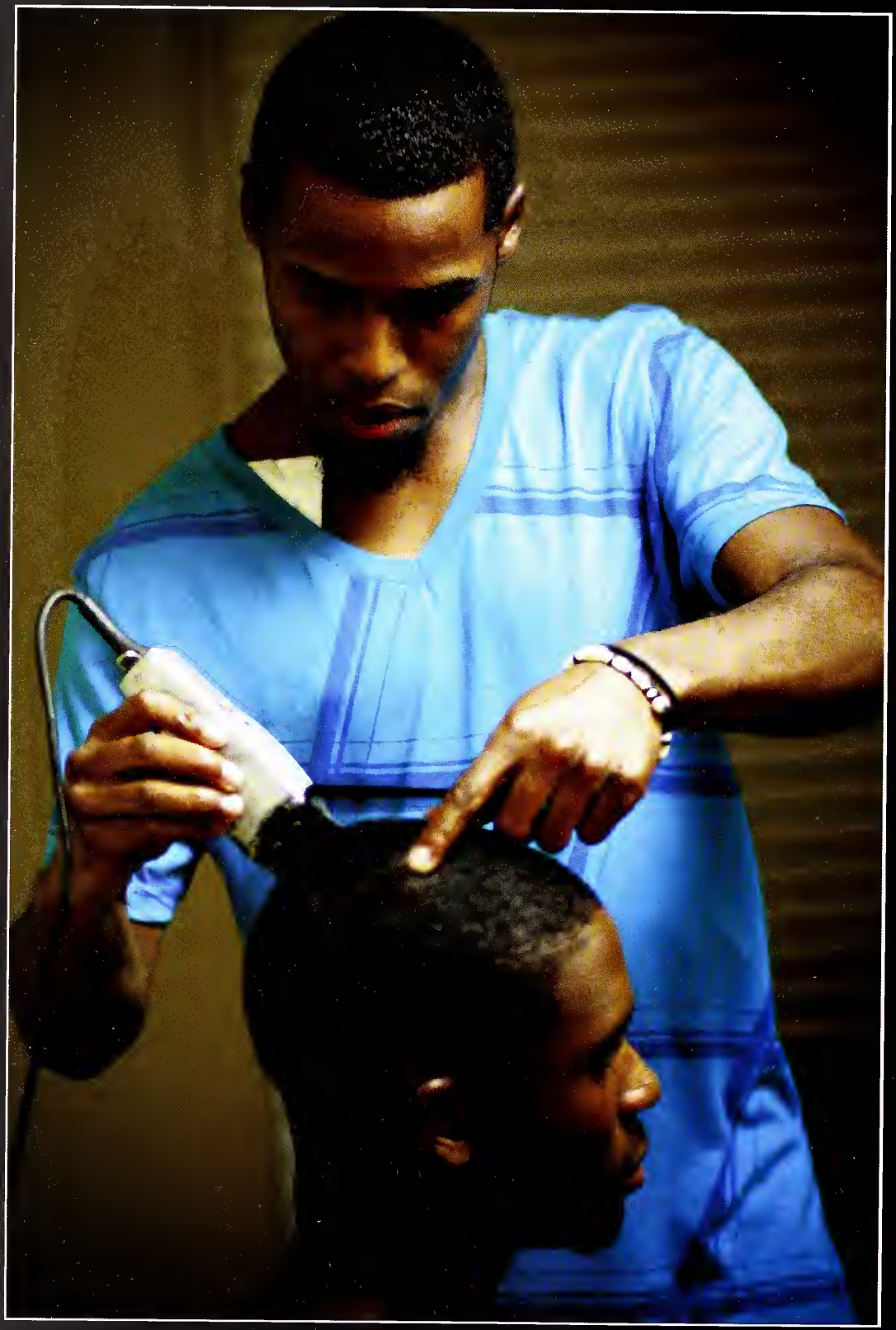
Wade Hall/ Annex Survival Kit

1.Bible
2.Toiletries
3.Snacks
4. Internet:
Facebook
Twitter
You Tube
5.Friends
6.Movies
8. Cleaning Supplies
9. Quarters
10. Slippers
11.Headphones
12. Flat Iron
13.Textbooks, Notebooks, Pens
14. Patience
15. Friends



Men of Excellence

O.B. Edward's Hall

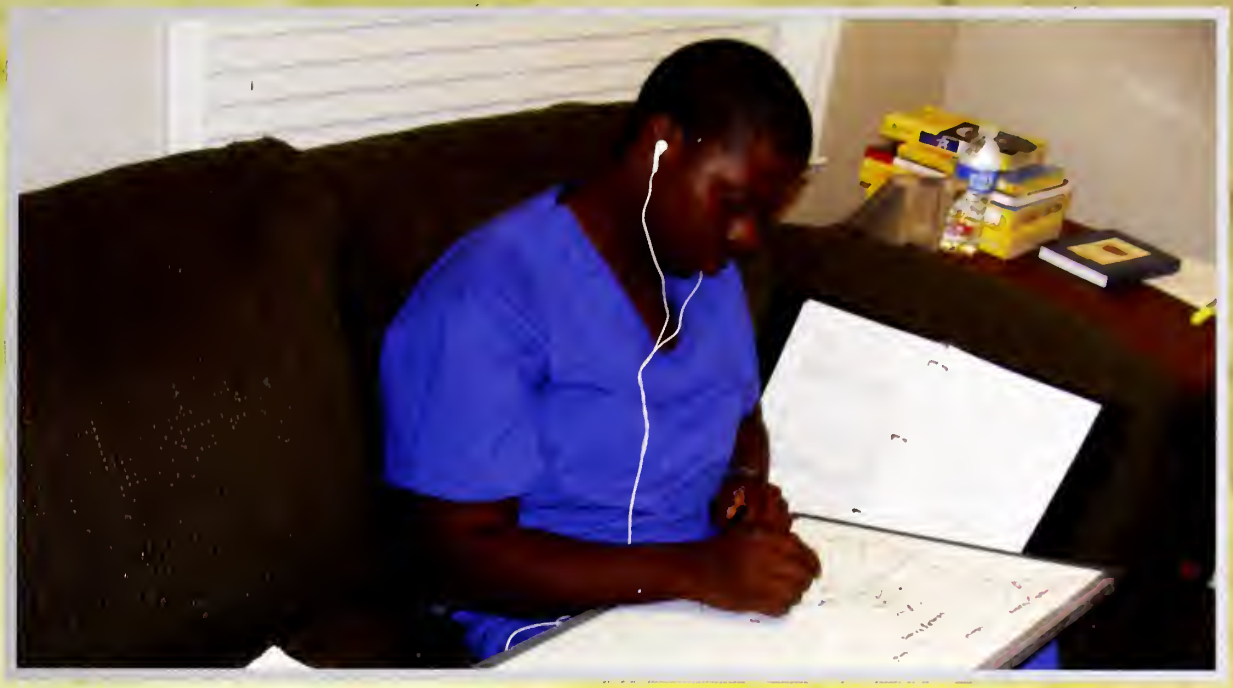


KRAFT
ASY MAC
ORIGINAL

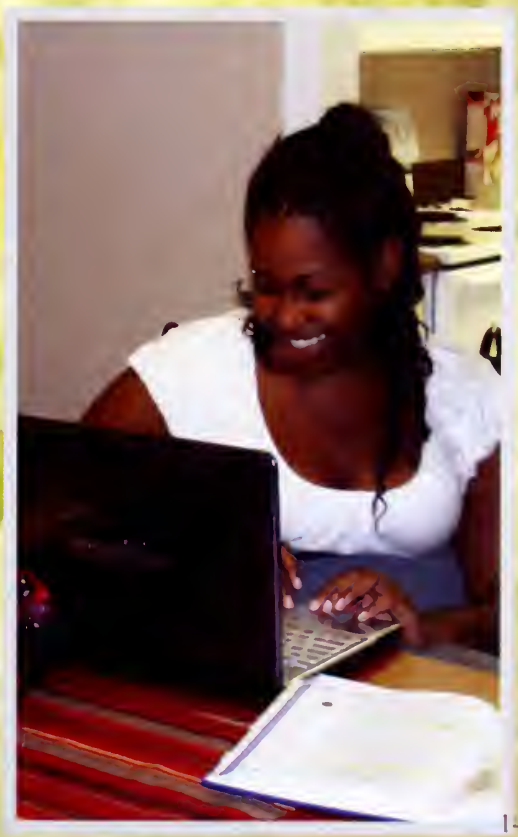
"Living at West Oaks is a wonderful experience. Though there are regulations, I love the freedom that is given to the residents. One can experience a foretaste of "real world" living, while remaining relatively close to campus." -Lawrence Brown

WEST OAKS

"I enjoy having the kitchen in the apartment. I also like the First Fridays where residents of West Oaks have vespers together. It's where we are able to fellowship with one another as we bring in the Sabbath.." - Lashonda Wright



"The living space and having your own room is cool. Having a later curfew and being able to sign out is straight." - Stephen Murphy



"Living at West Oaks makes me feel independent. I like living in the West Oaks Apartments because there's more privacy than living in the dorms. " -Elizabeth Bailey

Expressions:
Contentment
Determination

Academics

Becom
FIVE
STAR

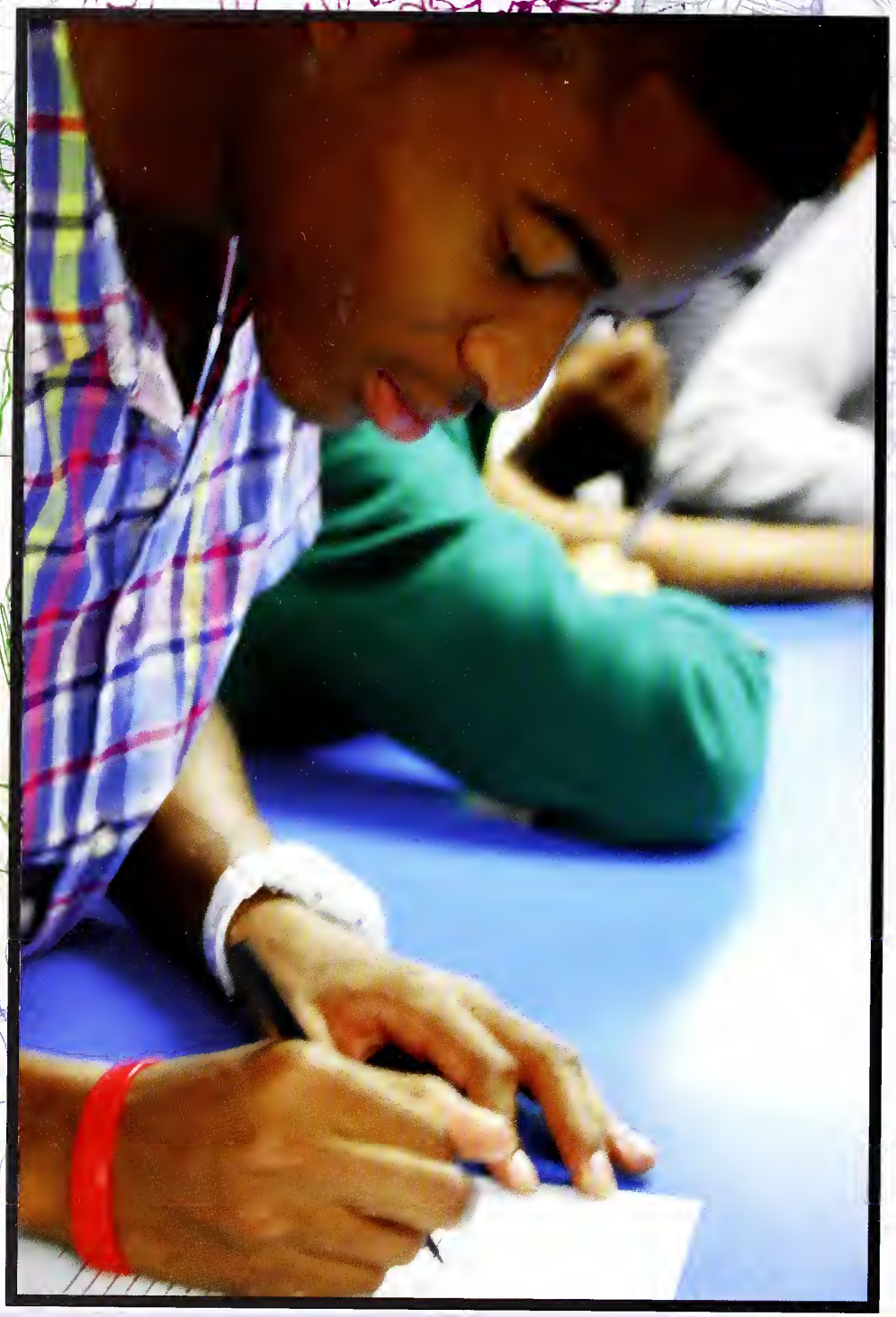
The main reason for being at Oakwood is to get a Christian education... Right?

Education is one of the few things a person is willing to pay for and not get.
-William Lowe

He that is taught only by himself has a fool for a master."

-Ben Jonson

Let's Get
Serious....



Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.
-Nelson Mandela

PASS ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

Read. Practice. Those are the words that brought me success in Organic Chemistry. This learning process has greatly impacted my study habits. After every class, I go back over lecture notes, problems, and read the book. I also have questions prepared so I can get them answered in class. These are the study habits I use to achieve my academic goals.
-Lauren Clark

STAY ORGANIZED

I carry a planner that I use to keep all of my assignments and deadlines down. This allows me to stay organized on the tasks that I have to do. Also I have holders and organizers for each class that I am taking. This allows me to know exactly what I am doing in each subject.
-Kerryon Brooks

How to...

STAY FOCUSED

I keep a daily schedule that tells me what you have to do for every hour of my day. I have at least one study partner for my tough classes. I keep in touch with my teachers and D2L so I know my progress in each class. But I always incorporate some free time to relieve some stress.
- Veronica Murphy

PASS PHYSICS

To most of us Physics is a challenging and tedious course but don't loose hope because I am about to give the secret for success in this class. Prayer and determination is the foundation but to build you must work at the problems until you find the solutions. Always remember that practice makes permanent and success is rated by your goal.
-Chinyere English

OU LIBRARY

TO STUDY OR
NOT TO STUDY?
THAT IS THE QUESTION...

I LOVE JESUS

New food. Foreign faces. Stares from strangers. Conjugation confusion. Excitement. Laughs with friends. Palermo Soho. Buenos Aires. Machu Picchu. Siestas. Spontaneous weekend trips. Peru. Spiritual growth. Hours at the beach. Brazil. Barbecues. Examencitos. Breaking the language barriers. Life lessons. Life long memories.

So how would I sum up my year abroad? The truth is, I don't think I can. To sum up the whirlwind of different emotions, experiences, trials & challenges I have faced while studying in Argentina, would be near impossible. The total submersion as a foreigner, eager to learn a foreign language in a foreign land had to have been one of the most terrifying, yet rewarding and character building experiences I have endured. I have always had a love and deep fascination for the Spanish language, and to finally live out my passion to master it has been a God-sent blessing. Yes, at times it was discouraging, overwhelming, and stressful, but constant support from professors who cared, praying family, and friends old and new, tied all the pieces together.

My year abroad was not solely about learning another language. For me, it was about experiencing another culture, a different way of life,reasoning, and thinking so I could develop into who God is molding me to be.

Traveling South America has broken down my mind's boundaries to the limitless possibilities and opportunities studying abroad has to offer. To live life in a foreign country and return unchanged would have been a year wasted.

Studying abroad has challenged me on every level in every aspect of my life. For this, I can gladly say that my experiences exceeded my expectations. I have learned that the reward is always greater than the challenge. Life in Argentina has been delightfully satisfying. To view in retrospect how my Spanish skills have evolved from those of a crawling toddler to those of a marathon runner, will always cause praise to break forth from my mouth to the Most High.

Argentina became a true home away from home, which means I leave behind family. But the road does not end here. From this experience I take with me timeless memories and valuable life lessons that my year abroad has endowed to me. So until the next 16 hour plane ride, the next Ancient Wonder of the World, the next late night ice cream escapade, the next barrier broken, and to the next door God opens, this is just the beginning.

Living Without Reservation,

Julia Ssemanda

Accepting the Call, Embracing the Challenge: A Student Soldier's Story

Mike Lowe's journey to Oakwood was all but ordinary. Although he requested an application to attend Oakwood in 1998, he opted to go Andrews University and study physical therapy. It was there he met many theology students who graduated from Oakwood College.

Unable to remain in school financially, Lowe joined the US Army in May 2002. He married his wife, a graduate of Andrews, in 2003 and began working as a Chaplain Assistant. In this role he assisted his Chaplain with religious support to Soldiers. He provided administrative support, chapel setup, and protected the Chaplain in combat operations. He deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan in March 2005 to March 2006.

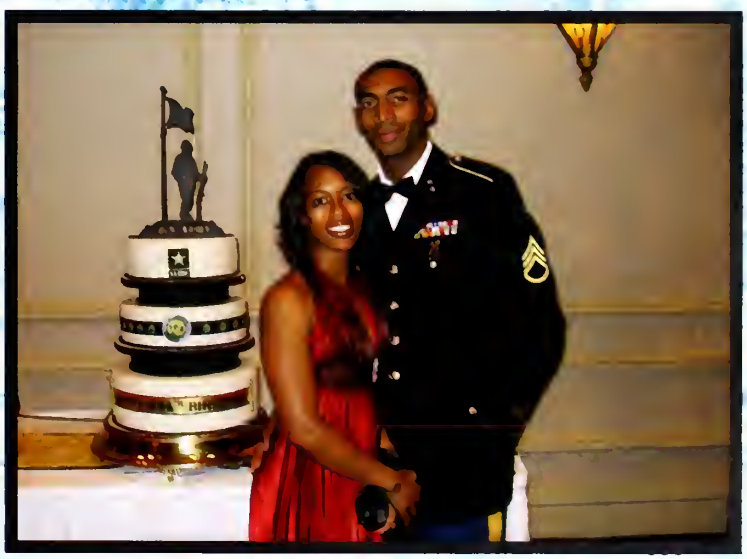
Upon completion of four years of active duty, he joined the US Army Reserves. Mike Lowe moved his wife and two children to Huntsville, Alabama in the spring of 2008 to obtain a degree in Theology, with a concentration in Pastoral Evangelism.

In the spring of 2009, Staff Sergeant Michael Lowe was recognized as the first Chaplain Assistant to compete in the 2009 United States Army Reserve Best Warrior Competition. Only 28 of 206,000 Soldiers compete in this competition. In the fall of 2009 he received a request from the highest Chaplain levels to volunteer to deploy. Although enrolled at Oakwood that fall, Mike Lowe accepted and received specific orders to deploy to Iraq one week after the Thanksgiving holiday in 2009.

When asked why he volunteered he answered: "Our country is at war. I've always wanted the opportunity to say I served in a war, especially in Iraq. Iraq is full of biblical history, and I wanted to experience it for myself, despite the opinions of family and friends. In retrospect the experience was beyond beneficial. I grew mentally, and spiritually, and relationally with my wife. In my service in Iraq I received various awards and recognition. I had the opportunity to work with a Jewish Chaplain, Catholic Chaplain, Air Force and Navy Chaplains, and Iraqi religious leaders. Although there were days we got hit with rocket attacks, there were more days of peace."

He shares the rewarding experience of being selected as a member of the Color Guard for the Change of Command Ceremony for the highest Army Commanding General of Iraq. This ceremony marked the close of combat operations that began in 2003 and the beginning of a new phase of operations in Iraq. This ceremony was attended by many political and high ranking military officials, including Vice President Joseph Biden and Secretary of Defense Robert Gates.

He proudly expresses, "I'll never forget the day I landed in Baghdad December 7, 2009, and the day I landed safely back home in Huntsville October 28, 2010. I know God has a plan for my life, and I must remain ready and willing to do our God's service, regardless of how different it may be."



EXPRESS YOURSELF

Basic Information

Classification: _____

Relationship Status: _____

Nickname: _____

Major: _____

Hometown: _____

Activities and Interests

Activities: _____

Interests: _____

Arts and Entertainment

Music: _____

Books: _____

Movies: _____

Television: _____

Sports: _____

Philosophy

Religious Views: _____

Political Views: _____

Favorite Quotations:

_____

_____

_____

Wall Posts

Following

What's happening?

Timeline @Mentions Retweets Searches

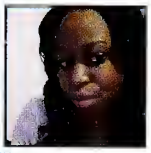
17 new tweets

The deans are at the club!!! #Thatisall

Retweets

Art and Soul tonight #cantwait

There are No classes ....SNOW DAY!!!!



Free pancakes at IHop..I want three pancakes...Lets go!

Its election time again at the OU!

COMMITTED WON THE SING-OFF So Proud of you @committed6

Been standing in Financial aid Line for 4 hours -__-

Your Tweets 777

Following 1,899 Followers 9,243

Top Trends

#NP-OUfancyhuh

#IhateOUspeedbumps

#OUtcafefood

#OUbreakuptext

#LowerOUtuition

#OUpublicsafety

#OUstink

#OUis.....

#OUthatisall

Who to Follow

@USMPRESIDENT

@Br0wnsugar90

@Istekey

@TemiAre27

@Charde_Smiles

@Phenomenal_Me

Promoted

Facebook

Derek Bowe I'm ready to finish my last semester at Oakwood strong! Who is with me?

Jasmine Suggs, Llyod Keith and 15 others

View all 14 comments

TOWN HALL MEETING (Free pizza for those who attend)
December 3, 2010 7:00pm
Moran Hall

The Dating Game
February 1, 2011 8:00 p.m
Moran Hall

Your Notifications

Lauren Davis has left a comment on your photo

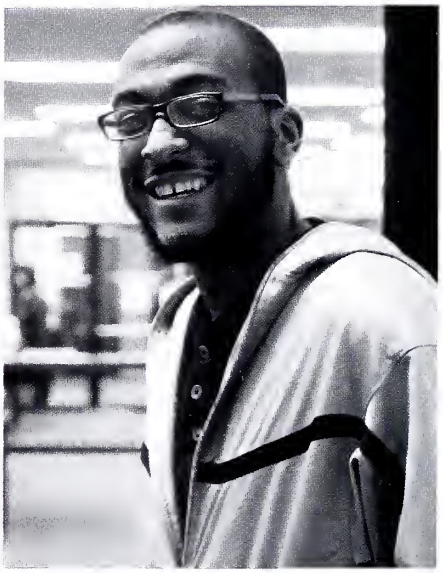
Richard Martin has posted something on your wall

Dr. Leslie Pollard has accepted your friend request

You have been tagged in a Note by Oakwood Yearbook

"Hop up out the bed, turn my light on, sign into facebook and say wassup!"Students sign in to facebook, more than they sign into d2l. Staying in touch with friends and finding out about Oakwood functions is easy with one of the world's most popular social network sites. It is undoubtedly time consuming and addicting, but is also beneficial to classes, clubs, and groups on campus. Facebook is definitely a burden to those writing a paper but a blessing to those needing something to do during their 75 minute class. It can lower a GPA but it can also be a channel to stay connected with loved ones at home. It has its flaws and benefits, like almost everything else in life, but this form of public expression will certainly have a hard time leaving center stage.

STUDENT



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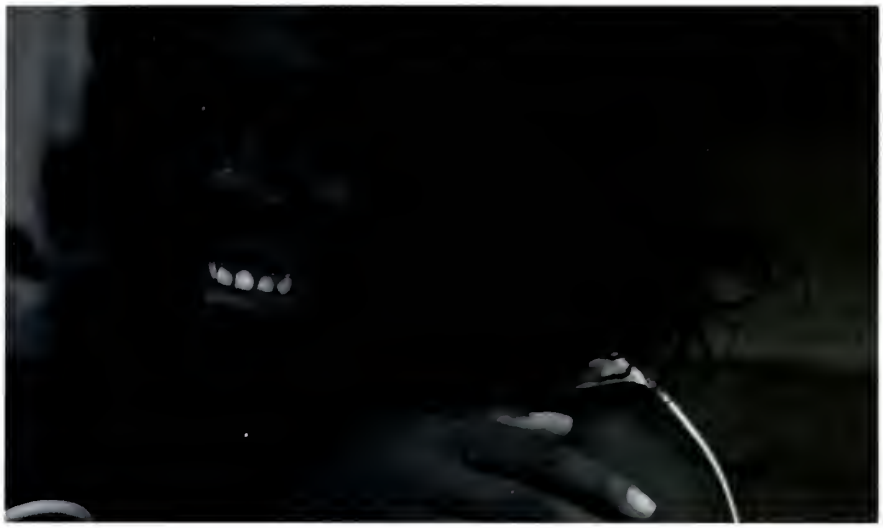

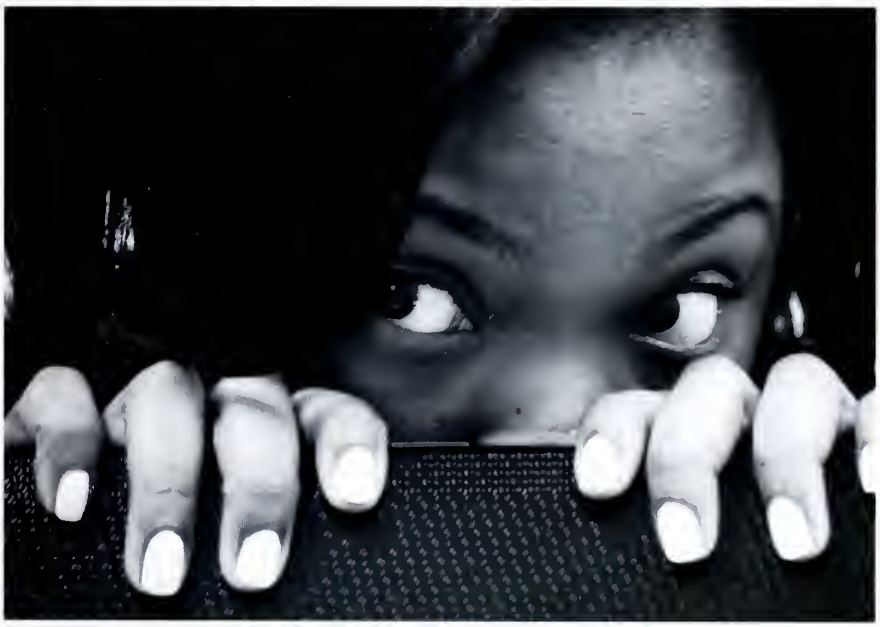

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Amber Abernathy
Julius Abrams
Rhondalyn Acklin
Antoynae Adams

Gianni Adams
Max Adams
Stephen Adedokun
David Adeleke
Jeffrey Aguy

Abia Agyekum
Gillis Akins
Abigail Albino
Richard Allen
Alexandra Alleyne-Oliver

Andre Allicock
Esther Alsume
Renante Alusca
Dominique Amacker
Abigail Ambrose

David Anderson
Jasmine Anderson
Akisha Andrew
Whitney Andrews
Clifford Aning

Grace Archie
Alexandra Arnold
Dovie Arnold
Andre Artis
Joshua Asamoa

Calesa Ash
Morgan Ashley
Hellen Atta-Armah
Nathaniel Augustave
Kirlia Augustine

Carlie Aurubin
Nicollette Austin
Andeh Awai
Lenny Bacchus
Elizabeth Bailey

Xavier Bailey
Cherelle Bailiff
Cory Baker
Jonathon Baker
Kara Baker

Marcus Baker
Nickalos Baker
Andrew Baldwin
Ashley Baldwin
Ronald Baltimore

Edison Banks Jr
Lyndon Barham
Felicia Barnard
John Barnett
Julia Barr

John Barry
Ashley Batiste
Amber Batten
Kara Baxter
Krystal Bean

Michelle Becton
Ruth Belay
Faizah Belliot
Kahryl Bennett
Max Bernard

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Byron Biggs Jr
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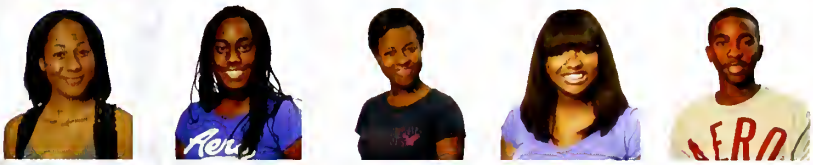

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Michael Boddie

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JaLyncia Bonaby
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Jorge Borge

Sherbert Borgella
Jermaine Boswell
TatyAna Bowen
Kendra Bowers
Dejoane Bowman

Julian Bowman-Rhodes
Athalia Bowrey
Michael Boyd
Daniel Boynton
Gary Boze-Simpson

Dwight Bradford
Julaine Braham
Kimora Braithwaite
James Brandon
Leah Brandon

Caprice Brathwaite
Chavaughn Brathwaite
Cheon Brathwaite
Olinfra Brathwaite
Kristopher Brice

Trenton Britt
Angel Brooks
Gabriel Brooks
Rione Brooks
Stephen Brooks III

John Brooks Sr
Abdul Brown
Alexis Brown
Antwain Brown
Blayre Brown

Darrian Brown
Elana Brown
Evan Brown
Jayson Brown
Jeromma Brown

Lawrence Brown
Marsalis Brown
Nicos Brown
Shannah Brown
Shelby Brown

Tamara Brown
Victoria Brown
Leon Brown II
J'Nnym Browne
Steve Brutus

Kadeem Bryan
Leon Bryant
Amber Buchanan
Elise Buchanan
Dominique Buckholt

Emeka Buffong
Enid Bukenya
Juliet Bukenya
Jason Bulgin
Melanie Bullock

LaToya Bunting
Marcus Burden
Marcya Burden
Tiffany Burgess
Twyla Burrowes

Chakara Burrows
Brittney Burt-Miller
Nicholas Burton
Sheereen Burton
Lloydston Burton II

Rontae Busby
Omali Bush
Dale Bushell
Reginald Bushner
Chloe Buxton

Terrence Byers
Kailah Byrd
Sydnee Byrd
Michaelle Cadet
Vladimir Cagilus

Deshay Caines
Greg Cajuste
Jade Callahan
Melonie Callender
Danielle Camacho

Sander Cameau
Irv Campbell
LeDon Campbell
Alex Carlisle
James Carpenter II

Donte Carr
Rhyanne Carrington
Gregory Carrol
Jennifer Carter
Tiffany Carter

Vanessa Carter
Edward Cartwright
Jessica Cartwright
Taina Casimir
Ryan Cephas

Dawnette Chambers
Samantha Champagne
Tamanda Chanza
Kimesha Chapman
Oretta Chapman

Alice Charitable
Patricia Charitable
Sharatia Charles
Aaron Cheatham
Amber Cheatham

Daynia Cheldar
Suze Chery
Joseph Chetram
Joy Chikwekwe
Robert Chiles

Kristina Christian
Alastair Chung-Jones
Eva Cisneros
Manuel Cisneros
De'Onna Clark

Marcus Clark
Brianna Clarke
Tamsyn Clarke
Jacqueline Clemmons
Camilla Clemons

Carmela Clemons
Cody Clemons
Elysia Cohen
Andrew Coke
Christopher Coke

Kristain Coke
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Cassandre Coles
Nicholas Collie
Nakia Collier

Christina Cooper
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Sharda Craigwell
Ashley Crichlow

Carmen Cross
Idehen Crowe-Obaseki
Stalon Cuffie
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Trevor Danvers
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Ceara Davis
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Justin Davis

Keiva Davis
Lauren Davis
Mitchell Davis
Stephanie Davis
Ariel Dean

Benjamin Dean
Derek Debardeleben
Angelo Degierre
Gabriel Del Valle
Cynthia Delva

Ailiana Denis
Wayne Dennis
Kristina Desir
Tornishia Destin
Alhassane Diallo

Vanessa Diambois
Deonae Dickinson
Pecolia Dismuke
Brandon Dixon
Leon Dixon

Stanley Dixon
Magory Doley
Marc Doley
Carlton Donovan
Yiorweh Dorber

Johnny Dorcil
Zabrina Dorsett
Phillip Doss
Jennel Dottin
Jamal Douglas

Jenee Douglas
Joseph Douglas
Khyle Douglas
William Downes
Korbi Draper

Akeem Dryden
Sharon Dublin
Sheryl Dublin
Adrian Dubose Jr
Jarron Dudley

Rachelle Dulan
Alex Dumas
Nahendra Dumas
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Alexis Edwards
Emanuel Edwards
Kayla Edwards
Raven-Symone' Edwards

Taylor Edwards
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Zanetta Egbunike
Benedicta Eken
LaShondra Ellis

Nehemie Emile
Chinyere English
Laurel Enix
Evenson Etienne
Kesly Etienne

Vanessa Etienne
Monique Euell
Sansha Eugene
Lori Evans
Shanice Ewen

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Brittany Farrington-Beasley
Brandon Ferguson
Delvin Ferris

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Johnathan Fields
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Briana Figeroux
Carmen Figueroa

Abdi Firrissa
Mika Fisher
Marcus Fitts
Floyd Flemming
Yoshae Fletcher

Sean Folkes
Jonathan Follette
Gregory Forbes
Melody Forbes
Jeremy Ford

Myles Fore
Chris-Ann Foster
Julian Foster
Lauren Foster
Kimberly Fouche'

Herbert Frais
Donovan Francis
Jason Francis
Jodi Francis
Kimberly Francis

Troy Francis
Jacques Francois
Smith Francois
Amanda Freeman
Shanna Freeman

Shanelle Frett
Larry Fullard
Erica Gabriel
Zipporah Gaines
Michel Garcia

Dara Garnett
Jason Garnett
Donovan Gates
Samuel Gauthier
Mujah Gaye

Toni-Ann Gayle
Talia Gbolahan
Francia Georges
Tamara Gholston
Shonnet Gibbs

Soliel Gibson
Brittany Gilbert
Tanisha Gilgeous
Ariana Gill
Gladys Gill

Devin Gilliam
Jovon Glover
Ariel Golding
Luis Gonzalez
Erika Goodloe

Christopher Goodson Jr
Rochelle Gordon
Wayne Gordon
Sarina Goulding
Jermalli Graham

Kimara Graham
Taeisha Graham
Tashauna Graham
Reyhahn Granger
Ashley Grant

Deidre Grant
Kadi-Ann Grant
Oneil Grant
Sable Grant
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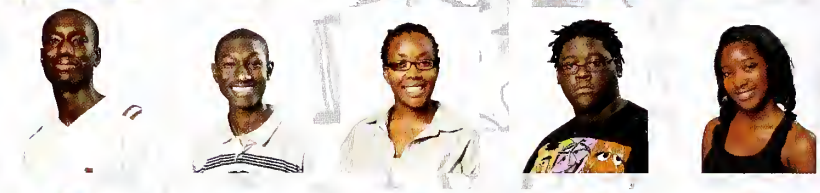

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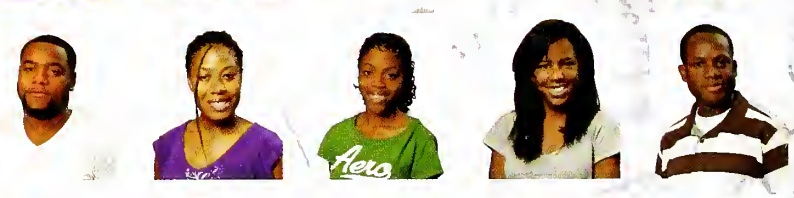

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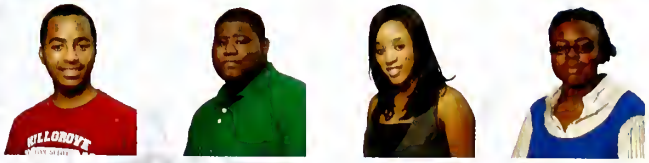

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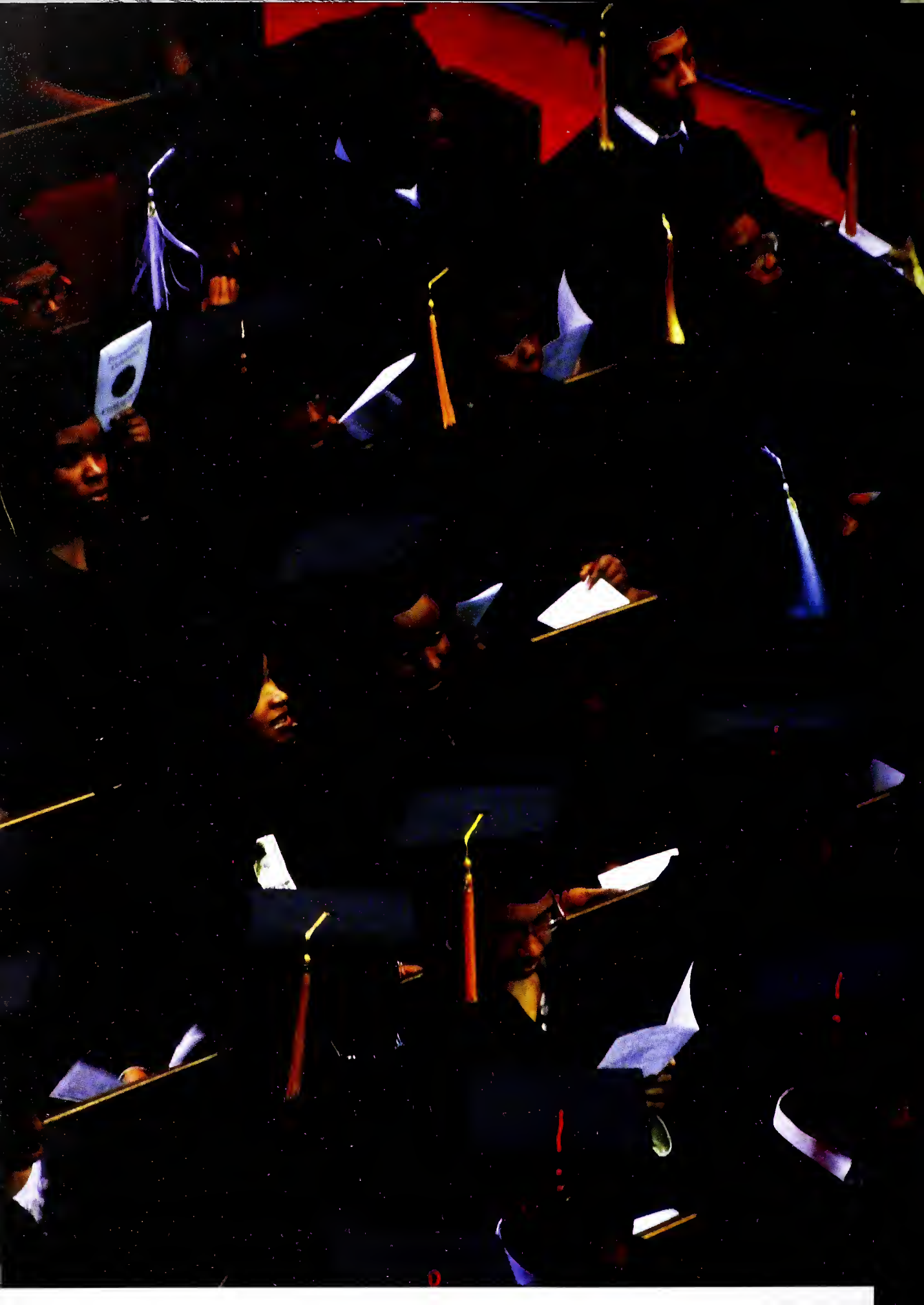

To my fellow Seniors,

By the time you are reading these words, we may be close to marching across the aisle. You could be reading this years after our graduation reminiscing on the past, or even still just reading it in the backseat of your parents' car on your way home because you forgot to charge your ipod and it's better than talking to your annoying little brother. Regardless of the circumstances, it is never too early, or too late, to just sit back and reflect on where we came from.

Some of our first memories of Oakwood are when we came down for College Days: walking into the church slightly late in two columns in our crisp white sweaters as boos of jealousy rained down...you know what I think that was just me. Some of our first memories of Oakwood were arriving full of hope, to build upon our successes of high school, or start anew.

The horror stories proved to inadequately describe the process when we took the Oakwood rite of passage and waited in the financial aid line for hours. Reflect on how you first met your friends. Those true friends who were always there for you, who you will introduce to your children as Uncle and Aunt "so and so".

Most importantly reflect on how God came through in the clutch for you time and time again: research papers completed in a matter of days, a random snow day when you had a test, and a litany of other seemingly impossible tasks that He helped you to accomplish. Think of how our interest and goals changed over time and as our class verse states, "many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." Think on how far we have traveled, from immature freshman, to slightly less immature seniors/adults. So wherever you are in life, and you are reading this reflect on where the Lord has brought us from, for "we have nothing to fear, lest we forget what our God has done in the past."

~Frederick L. Keith II

SENIOR STATUS

Unbelief. This is the one word that can accurately describe the sentiment of the Class of 2011 during Senior Presentation. Looking around at ourselves in black robes, shuffling about taking pictures with friends, and murmuring in speculation about the placement of tassels, it felt very surreal. "It seemed like only yesterday..." was the cliche most associated with our smiles. Enthusiasm radiated throughout the corridor as we readied ourselves for the ceremony.

However, simultaneously, the ceremony both created and warned us against our enthusiasm. Frederick Keith, our class President, pointed out that whether we've completed out studies in 4 years or "took the more scenic route," we have arrived at a long awaited moment in our lives. Urged to stand in our perspective fields in which we hope to receive a degree, we felt a sense of pride as friends smiled and snapped pictures. Jonathan Smith, our speaker, gave us a different perspective. Though we have almost completed this race, we have not finished yet. He admonished us to be diligent not only in our academics to complete our degree but in seeking God's purpose and plan in our lives.

Our soon graduating class was left with inspiration reflected in our class scripture. "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." (Proverbs 19:21) Though we may be tired of classes, weary of lectures, and sick of tests, graduation is near. If we are diligent for just a little while longer, we can make it. We are almost there.

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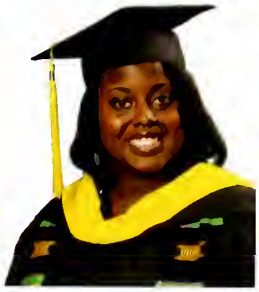

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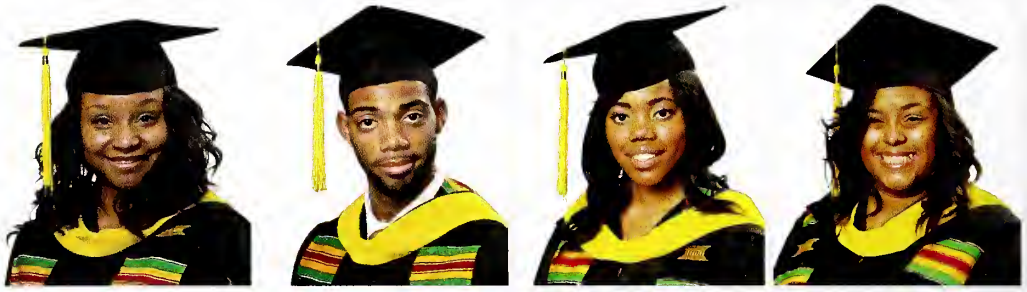

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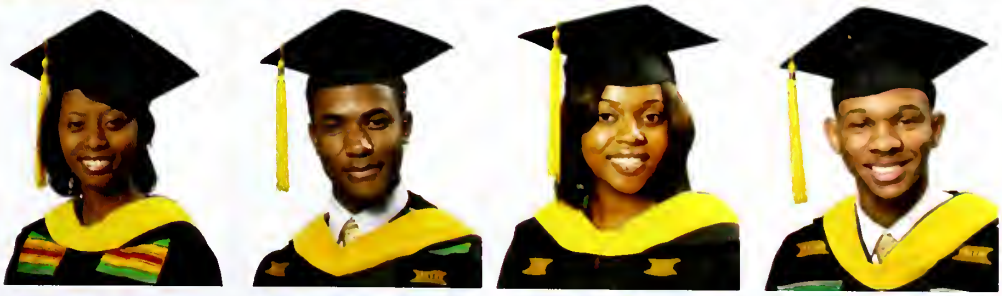

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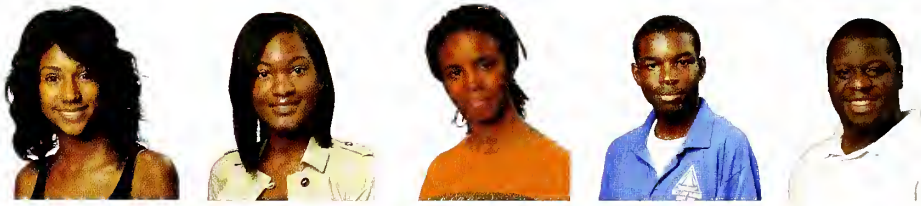

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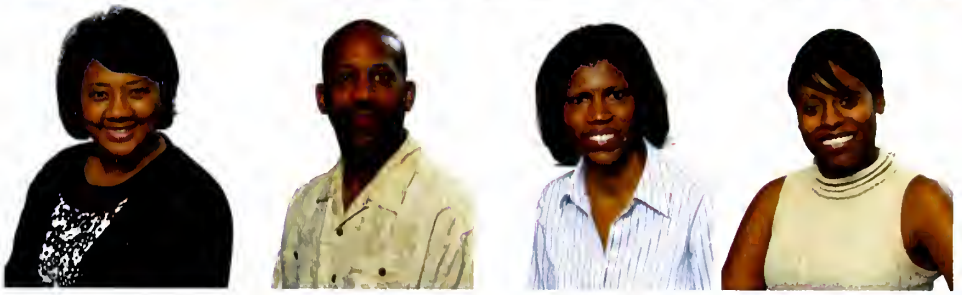

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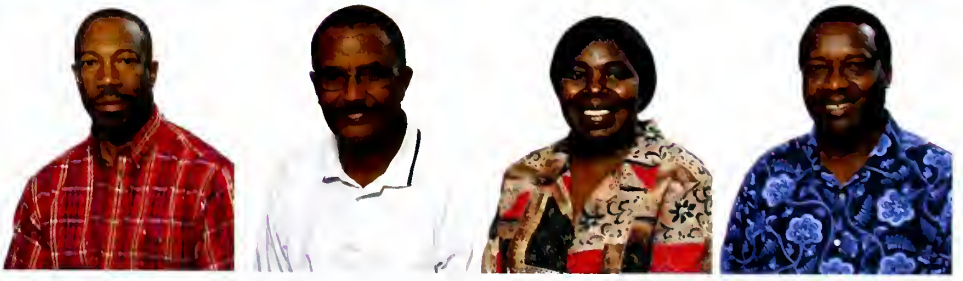

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(Deep Breath) I am a couple sentences away from finishing this book and I can't help but wonder what I got myself into. I have met challenges that I never before imagined. Every aspect of my character has been tested. I feel like I have been running a marathon, sweat pouring, lungs burning, telling myself to never give up. There was a time when I started seeing this yearbook as my arch enemy. I got lost in the cacophony of unending questions, responsibilities, issues, and defeat. My enthusiasm was flooded with doubt. I didn't know the answer to every question. I couldn't fix every situation. I couldn't find a way to execute all of my ideas. This book was my test. It pushed me mentally, spiritually, and emotionally to ends that I never knew existed.

I don't remember why I took this position. I just know that regardless of my reasoning, it was the right decision. God had this experience planned just for me. I'm finally working on my closing statement and all I keep saying is "Thank You Jesus!" I can't believe that God helped me even though I didn't deserve it. He helped me even when I didn't seek his face. He still helped me! I don't deserve His grace. This book, today, is my testimony.

To my best friends and family: You are amazing! You know I couldn't have done this without your help, prayers, and support. To my staff: Thanks for the hard work and all the laughs! I love you guys!
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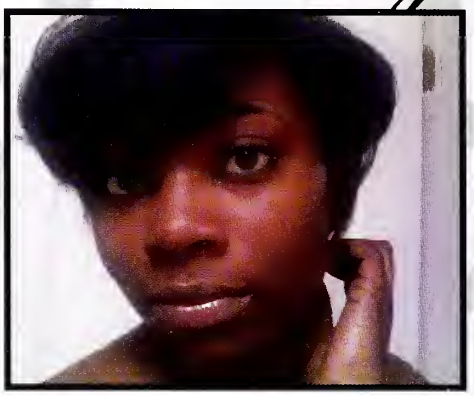

"Truly great friends are hard to find, difficult to leave, and impossible to forget." Some people will come into our life for seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years or even forever. Tanisha was a person who would always be there forever. We shared many laughs, cries, arguments, disagreements, secrets, stories, etc. When we first met we clicked instantly because we were able to laugh at anything just by looking at it. We grew to understand each other so much that even in silence we knew exactly what the other was thinking. Losing her as a friend will always be difficult but God had a plan that we weren't aware of. I am happy that, while she was here, we were able to share memories that will last a lifetime. There is really nothing on this earth that is better than having a true friendship. And instead of trying not to cry or be sad, I will smile because I know, if she was here, she would have wanted me to. She was loved by many and she touched the lives of many students. I will miss her. We all will miss her. But we shall meet again. 'Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for a while and leave footprints on our hearts. And with that we're never, ever the same' LOVE YOU NISH!!

-Koiyo Pickering

Tanisha Smith

Memory A Loved One

Words cannot begin to describe how much I will miss Jon-Paul. He was more like a brother than a friend. When I first got to what, was then, Oakwood College in the fall of 2007, I joined Dynamic Praise (DP) Choir. If anyone knew Jon-Paul, they knew that he loved to sing! He was also in DP and quickly adopted me into the fold. Unbeknownst to me, he was one of the individuals in the choir who I would form a strong and life-long bond with. I remember when DP came to Maryland (my home state), and I brought John Paul and another friend to stay at my house. My family immediately fell in love with Jon Paul and took him in as part of our family. They would often call and write him on facebook just to see how he was doing. Jon-Paul had that kind of impact on everyone he came into contact with. Once you met him, it became terribly hard to forget him. Jon-Paul was, and will always, be near and dear to my heart. He was one of the people at Oakwood University who I could truly call a friend and a brother; I will miss him dearly! -Nathan Drew

Jon-Paul and I became friends instantly during my freshman year at DP auditions. I remember thinking he had one of the most beautiful singing voices I have ever heard. We started to hang out all the time and soon became best friends. Jon-Paul had a heart of gold and was always willing to help others. He was always there for me and was my friend regardless of what happened. His jokes could quickly turn a bad day around. We spent countless afternoons just laughing with each other. He has taught me, through his life and his death, to always be true to myself and God and never forget who loves me and who died so that I can have eternal life. I will miss him greatly but now I have something to look forward to along with eternal life, and that is to see him again in the earth made new where we will be able to sing and joke and laugh together for an eternity. I miss him dearly, but I can't wait for that great day when the Lord will come to take us home so that I can see my best friend again! -Vanessa Hudson

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